

## Bike route trial won't move parking on Côte Rd.

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The bicycle route trial on Côte St. Antoine and Westmount Ave. will go into effect as soon as line painting takes place in about four or five weeks, Councillor Philip Cutler announced at the city council meeting April 4. Parking will not switch sides on Côte St. Antoine Rd.

"What we've decided is to maintain parking on the north side, painting just two lines," he said. The one-way west bike route will run between the parked cars and the traffic, he explained. Two lines will also be painted on the south side of West-

mount Ave. for eastbound cyclists.

The decision not to switch parking to the south side on the Côte Rd. as planned was made by the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) to improve safety and be consistent with the bike path in NDG. It will also eliminate the need to relocate parking signage.

The cost of the trial is now \$2,000 to \$3,000, Cutler said.

Bike route opponents again asked for the plan to be rescinded. One suggested that more cyclists will use it heading east the wrong way down the hill rather than westbound with the flow of the one-way traffic.

*If not white, what?*

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## St. Léon parents appeal to city council



Photo: Laureen Sweeney

Claudia Hernandez, left, and Marie-Elaine Cusson, plead their case with city council April 4 for help in preventing St. Léon students from being transferred to a building in St. Henri. See story, p. 4.

## Noise from WRC's ice-freezing compressors leads to petition

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

An engineering firm has been hired by the city to recommend ways of reducing vibration and a high-pitched whining sound from rink-freezing compressors at the Westmount recreation centre (WRC), city officials said last week.

"We have mandated WSP [formerly Genivar] to provide us with some options to baffle the vibration created by the compressors," director general Mike Deegan explained last week.

The noise and vibration, which appar-

ently have been noticed since the facility opened at the end of 2013, was not listed among the deficiencies prepared for design-build contractor Pomerleau Inc., he said.

The sound is loudest at the youth centre next to the compressors, and is reported in the adjacent exercise rooms and even in the offices.

"It is unsettling and disturbing because of its high-pitched nature," states a petition dated February 11 and signed by 39 participants of exercise and yoga ..... continued on p. 16



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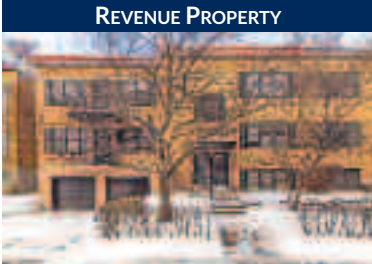
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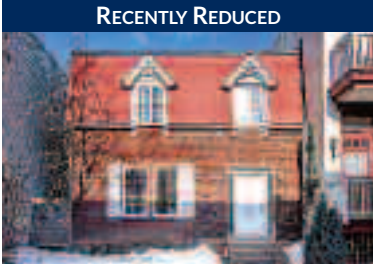
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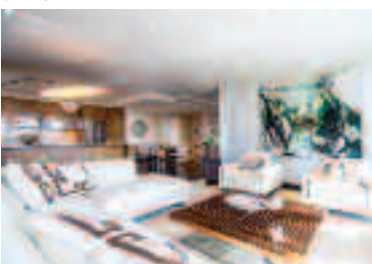
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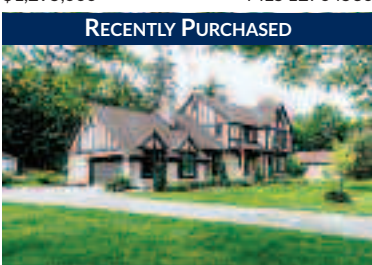
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# PPCMOI zoning by-law adopted, aims to give stakeholders a 'say'

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

A by-law to enable the approval of major non-conforming development projects was adopted April 4 after six months of council meetings, two public consultation sessions, private meetings and numerous emails of suggested changes from residents.

"With this new process, we will now have a much better way to evaluate projects to continue building our city," stated Councillor Theodora Samiotis at the start of the meeting.

In an opening presentation, Samiotis said the by-law aimed to help the city "strike the right balance between three im-

portant stakeholders as we look at certain proposals for development."

These are adjacent homeowners, who may seek to minimize the impact on their homes, property owners wanting to develop their land and the broader Westmount community who may benefit from a project.

"But let us be clear," she added, "this is not a process where the most vocal people will always get the outcome that they want. It is a process that ensures that all relevant stakeholders have their say and the right to express their views and opinions."

The by-law to address "Specific Construction, Alteration or ..... Occupancy Proposals for *continued on p. 14*



Marina Brzeski and Neil Mackinnon, both of Grosvenor, are all smiles after the council meeting April 4 with news the new by-law won't be used soon to allow development of the Metro site.

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# St. Léon parents win city support to oppose transfer of students out of Westmount

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

*Have to find solution*

Two parents from St. Léon de Westmount school appealed to city council April 4 to help them find an alternative to a plan to transfer three grade 6 classes to a school space in St. Henri starting next September.

The school on Clarke Ave. is an entirely French school under the Commission scolaire de Montréal. Its student population is overflowing, and the plan is to transfer the students to the “annexe Charlevoix” on de Courcelle St. (see story April 5, p. 16).

Marie-Elaine Cusson of Prince Albert Ave. and Claudia Hernandez of Bruce Ave. explained how upsetting it will be for their daughters and other students to no longer, in their view, be able to walk or bike to their school, where they have a sense of belonging. They will be separated from friends and specialists and the community.

“We’re quite angry about this,” said Cusson.

Councillor Theodora Samiotis explained how the city was “open” to the possible installation of temporary facilities, such as trailers, in the school parking lot. She said the school had asked the city a couple of weeks ago if the by-law allowed for trailers, which it does not. But before the city had had time to discuss it with the school, it had heard the decision to transfer students was a “fait accompli.”

Mayor Peter Trent said he would contact Westmount provincial legislator Jacques Chagnon, “and I think we’ll have some results.”

A meeting of parents at the school April 5, the night after the council meeting, was attended by Councillor Nicole Forbes, who represents the district in which St. Léon is located. She spoke on behalf of the city. “I just told them the city was willing to meet with them and come to some agreement,” she told the *Independent*. “We have to find a solution.”

Presenting background on the issue, Samiotis said it was in late spring 2015 that the city had been approached by the school about expanding the building to accommodate “an exploding” population.

She said the city had been prepared to look at this and had been waiting for the school to present building plans after they had secured the financing to build.

It was only recently, however, that the city had received a request to install temporary facilities in the parking lot. “Unfortunately, we were not given the opportunity,” to consider it, she said. It had all happened so quickly.

“We would like to organize a meeting with the school to see what we can do,” Samiotis said.

“What I heard from the council last night was that surely there would be a way to find a solution,” Cusson told the *Independent*. “It was very reassuring.”

A decision to transfer the children for their last year at the elementary school was not fixing the problem, which would continue escalating in the future, she added.

Cusson and Hernandez told the council they appreciated the city’s support and various comments from members of council citing the importance of St. Léon’s as a community school. Being able to walk to school

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# Parents enraged at St. Léon's plan to send students to St. Henri, citing lack of consultation

*Councillor Forbes suggests on-site trailers may be possible to ease overpopulation*

By JOANNE PENHALE

Parents came out in droves last week to oppose a French-language school board plan that would send grade 5 and 6 students from St. Léon's elementary school in Westmount to the Charlevoix annex in St. Henri.

An audience of 130, mostly parents, came to the April 5 meeting called by the school to discuss its short-term plan to deal with overpopulation. The meeting lasted more than four hours, with dozens of parents expressing anger that they were not consulted, and that the annexation was against the best interests of their kids.

The Commission Scolaire de Montréal (CSDM) requested funding from the provincial Education minister to expand the school in mid-2015. Parents criticized CSDM representatives at the meeting for not acting sooner, as the school's population has grown steadily in recent years.

Several parents expressed frustration over having chosen to send their kids to St. Léon's, in support of the public system, but are now feeling disappointed in that system.

"This is an exercise in poor management," parent Louis-Martin Richer launched at the school's director. "You can't treat the children like cattle."

Westmount councillor Nicole Forbes, who represents the district in which the school is located, stood up three hours into the meeting to suggest the CSDM and the city of Westmount meet to discuss another solution. She suggested the city may be able to relax zoning restrictions that would otherwise limit modular units – or trailers – on St. Léon's grounds. The audience cheered for this option, which would re-

quire ministerial funding, others noted.

According to school commissioner for NDG-Westmount Marie-José Mastromonaco, who was at the meeting, the CSDM was considering the option of annexing St. Léon's to the Charlevoix annex, as part of its three-year plan developed in June 2015 as a short-term solution to the school's overpopulation. That three-year plan was under consultation, she said, until its adoption in December.

This fall, the governing board, or *conseil d'établissement* (CE), which is made up of parents, teachers and other school staff, created a ranked list of options to deal with overpopulation and submitted it to the CSDM. The Charlevoix annex was the fifth, and last, option.

The first four options, including changing the school's boundaries, were not considered feasible for the short-term by the CSDM. In December, Mastromonaco said, the three-year plan was adopted, giving St. Léon the choice, and funding, to send a portion of its students to the St. Henri site, where several of its French-language-acquisition welcome classes (*classes d'accueil*) are already housed.

St. Léon's director Lili Beaumont explained to parents she was left with a difficult decision, and analyzed whether to move kindergarten students or third-cycle students – fifth and sixth graders – to the annex. "I wanted to separate families as little as possible," she said. The plan, which parents learned of in late March, was to send three grade 6 classes to the annex in September 2016, followed by grade 5 classes in 2017.

"I understand it's not an easy solution for parents to accept," Beaumont said.

"Mme. Beaumont ... you have said 'I'

forty-five times. 'I decided. I thought. I analyzed, I reflected.' But where is the 'we?'" This is our neighbourhood school," said Richer, a parent of fourth and fifth grade students. "It's reprehensible that you would present this plan to us as a done deal."

Beaumont emphasized the CE, which represents parents, was part of the consultation.

Later in the question period, parent Sylvie Babarik, a member of the CE, said it was not adequately consulted.

Julie Belhumeur, director of the "bureau du soutien à la gestion des établissements" for CSDM told parents the next step was for the CE to meet, and CSDM director of services Marc Prescott said there would be another general assembly for parents. Others, including CE president and school parent Stéphanie Richard, suggested the decision was not final. The CE is scheduled to meet Tuesday, April 12.

Out of more than 36 ..... parents who spoke at the *continued on p. 15*



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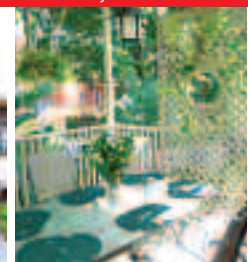
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## RAINBOW TRIED TO NEGOTIATE: THOM

In response to the article “Rainbow pre-school to close at Westmount Park Church after 27 years,” (April 5, p. 3), I wish to inform readers that contrary to what you reported the church as saying, I did in fact try to negotiate an affordable lease renewal effective September 1, 2016. On receiving the pre-proposed lease in late 2015, I was informed by our accountant that the rental increases required by the church were untenable for Rainbow to continue providing an excellent service to our families.

As per our current lease, notification of 6 months prior to cancellation was required. I therefore sent a registered letter to the church, informing them that Rainbow would not be renewing the lease under the proposed terms and requesting a meeting with its rental committee at its earliest convenience to discuss the decision further.

A meeting was held on January 20, 2016. At this meeting, it was stated unequivocally by church treasurer Joan Hagerman that the rental increases were absolutely non-negotiable.

I have truly enjoyed serving the Westmount community, establishing Rainbow initially on Wood Ave. and for the subsequent 27 years at its present location. The simple fact remains that the decision to close Rainbow is based exclusively upon the financial conundrum described above.

I wish to thank both the present and the many, many former Rainbow families for their continued support for what Rainbow represents: a caring, bilingual, flexible, arts-based pre-school program. Rainbow has always been a fun and creative home away from home for little people.

Let's hope that a new location awaits us...

JACQUELINE THOM, DIRECTOR,  
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## COME FOR POETRY & PASTRY

Westmounters being an erudite bunch, I feel I should make a plug for the Westmount Poetry Group (now in its seventh year), which, courtesy of the Westmount Public Library, is this year tackling in verse the dummifying down of the English language. For example, 120 words were eliminated from US SAT tests in 2016, and all

the wonderful nature/pastoral words were recently deleted from *The Oxford Junior Dictionary* in favour of net/online jargon. The show – “Poetry and Pastry” – is on Sunday, April 24 at 2 pm.

If you prefer your children to run amok over hill and dale rather than be online, do come and join in the discussion. It's free.

ANN LLOYD, LEADER OF THE  
WESTMOUNT POETRY GROUP

## THANKS FOR UNRAVELLING PPCMOI BY-LAW

The *Westmount Independent* deserves considerable respect for their extraordinary effort in understanding and accurate reporting on the progress and the complicated issues related to the SCAOPI/PPCMOI by-law, which may affect all Westmounters to different degrees in the future.

Reporter Laureen Sweeney and editor Kristin McNeill worked diligently in confirming the facts, seeking out the necessary clarifications from all participants in the debate, and the exceptional effort should not be overlooked nor underestimated.

It is also evident that the city of Westmount council is also clearly appreciative of the editorial and explanation of the facts and adding clarity to this by-law, and most importantly by keeping us all informed.

On behalf of about a few dozen residents, we appreciate your efforts.

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## MAYBE KEEP THE BIKE PATH BOLLARDS NEXT WINTER?

Council should be congratulated on the excellent maintenance of the cycling path this winter.

Also Westmount seems to have found a resolution of the major safety problem of snow removed from parking lots blocking the path between Wood and Atwater for days after a snow storm. Personally I found the maintenance of the winter path dependable while cycling to la Maison Symphonique, open lectures at Concordia, UQAM, MMFA, even la Nuit Blanche, not to mention daily tasks.

I did note that CDN-NDG kept its bollards demarcating the cycle path in the vicinity of the Vendôme Metro station. Westmount might consider the same this coming winter.

ROGER JOCHYM, LEWIS AVE.

## WHAT ABOUT SELBY?

Regarding a part of the article “Lulham asks MTQ for public consultation on 720 demo,” (March 29, p. 5), which reads:

“The 720 will be renamed route 136 when all the work is completed and, notes Lulham, the new highway will be located a bit further south. That, she adds, ‘will be a definite benefit to my ward. It's not changing in Councillor Samiotis's, but in mine it is, and that's a definite benefit. You know, it's going to be a long process.’”

Bravo, Councillor Lulham, for this week's NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) award.

You may want to consult Councillor Samiotis about the state of (the former and now destroyed) Selby Park and its impact on neighbouring Westmount residents.

GEORGE JACOBSON, ST. ANTOINE ST.

## CALLING ALL WAGAR HIGH CLASS OF 1966

The Wagar High 50-year reunion for all 1966 graduates will be held on Saturday, September 24 at 7 pm at Ruby Foo's. All graduates, along with their spouses or significant others, are encouraged to attend. There will be a delicious dinner, entertainment and some additional surprises. There are a number of Wagar High graduates who reside in Westmount, and we would ask them to relay the information on to the appropriate persons.

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# A question of balance

## Councillor's Column

THEODORA SAMIOTIS



Although much has been written in the pages of the *Independent* about the SCAOPI (PPCMOI) by-law, I wish to share with residents in this councillor's column my objectives for this legislation, which council finally passed on April 4.

So, what are we trying to achieve with this SCAOPI by-law?

We are trying to strike the right balance between three important stakeholders, as we look at certain proposals for development: The first are the adjacent homeowners, who may seek to minimize the impact of any large development or construction; the second are the property owners, who wish to develop their land in a way that is aligned with the city's planning objectives; and the third is the broader Westmount community, which may benefit from what a potential development could bring.

It is the job of council to weigh these elements in rendering its decision. Of course, we cannot promise any of these groups the outcome it seeks each and every time. What we are promising, however – and I think we have achieved with the amendments to the by-law – is a much better process.

But let us be clear: This is not a process where the most vocal people will always get the outcome that they want. It is a process that ensures that all relevant stakeholders will have their say and the right to express their views and opinions.

We all chose to live in Westmount. This

is not a distant suburb, where residential, commercial and retail are kept strictly and permanently separate. This is not a neighbourhood where there are no sidewalks because there is nothing to walk to in close proximity.

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With that understanding, and with this new process, we will now have a better way to evaluate projects to continue to build our city.

And as we look forward to how this process will work, it is very clear to me that if we only favour the developer over the resident, we will not always get the right answer. But if we only favour the resident over the developer we may not always get the right answer either.

And if we fail also to look at the overall benefit to the community at large then, again, we may not arrive at the right conclusion to enhance the vibrant, livable community that we all cherish, and have chosen to live in.

Ultimately, it is the job of officials elected by the whole community – your city council – to carefully weigh all of these elements in order to make the final call. That is what we have been elected to do. It is the very essence of representative democracy.

And as Churchill famously said, "It's a terrible form of government, except for all the others that have been tried, and failed."

*Councillor Theodora Samiotis is commissioner of Urban Planning.*

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# Hurtubise named assistant DG for infrastructure

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Hydro Westmount director Benoit Hurtubise was appointed by city council April 4 to a new temporary position of assistant director general for infrastructure. He will also continue to head the electrical utility on a permanent basis.

The temporary assignment for a maximum of two years is being created to "prioritize the planning and execution of the city's infrastructure work," the resolution states.

This means overseeing and putting in place a strategy for capital works projects, 95 percent of which are related to new roads and sidewalks, the water and sewer systems as well as the electrical network, Hurtubise explained.

"We need more hands on the tiller to steer us through these projects in which we are investing," Mayor Peter Trent stated the next day.

Day-to-day operations such as snow removal, garbage and the maintenance of streets, parks and trees as well as buildings, will remain under the direct responsibility of Public Works director Patrick Raggo, who will report to Hurtubise. Elisa Gaetano, assistant Public Works director



City director general Mike Deegan, left, speaks April 4 with Benoit Hurtubise over the latter's appointment as assistant director general for infrastructure.

for engineering, and her team will also report to the new assistant director general.

Separating the daily operations from technical side of infrastructure and engineering is becoming common among municipalities. These include Côte St. Luc, where Raggo had been Public Works director and where Marianne Zalzal, Westmount's retired Public Works director, now

works.

"As the city increases its infrastructure spending (by 39 percent to more than \$12 million this year), it requires a closer look at how we are going to execute our budget," Hurtubise said.

This is expected to include long-term and short-term planning, organizing the various elements of the work, including the electrical upgrades and going out to tender earlier.

Tenders for the city's two major projects for this summer are expected to be awarded at the May council meeting, he said. These are the second phase of Prince Albert reconstruction north of Sherbrooke and the next phase of Westmount Ave., which has to coincide with Roslyn School's holidays in July and August.

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## St. Léon, council cont'd. from p. 4

"helps develop independence," Councillor Christina Smith pointed out.

In fact 50 percent of the students live in Westmount added Forbes.

## Martin recalls bilingual days

Councillor Patrick Martin recalls that when he attended it "there was an English side, and a French side, in parallel. It was a Catholic school, and they accepted me on the French side on one condition: I had to take catechism classes on the English side for the first two years, because they considered it to be absolutely essential that I understood everything in this particular course.

"I should have worn my St. Léon cap to the council meeting," he added. "Maybe next time."





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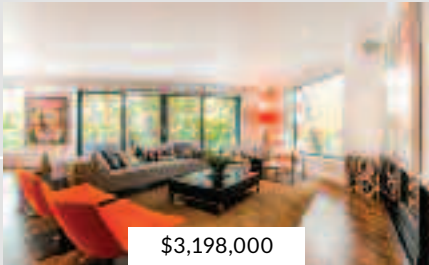
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# Library friends prepare for sale



Volunteers for Friends of the Library were unpacking boxes and displaying books around 6 pm on April 8 in preparation for the sale the next day.

By RALPH THOMPSON

Carolyn O'Neill, an organizer for Friends of the Library Book Sale, and her team of volunteers were hard at work April 8 unboxing thousands of donated books. Some appeared rare, some new, some well read and a few quite unusual. The team had help from local schools. Some 40 students from École Internationale de Montréal, LCC, Brébeuf, The

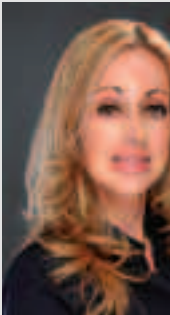
Study, St. George's, Westmount High and others were the direction of Friends' volunteer Anne Morillot. "I emailed the local schools a few weeks ago and got lots of helpers keen to gain credits," she said. The Friends of the Library Book Sale took place April 9 and 10 at Victoria Hall. Proceeds were to be donated to the Westmount Public Library for new books and supplies.

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# RMR exhibits WWI underground art



Lieut.-Col. Colin Robinson, April 17 at the RMR.

BY RALPH THOMPSON

In early April 1917, a group of Canadian soldiers, some from Battalion 14 (the Royal Montreal Regiment based in Westmount) were holed up in a cold, dark and damp

medieval mine 30 metres below ground in France, close to Vimy Ridge. Some had waited weeks in preparation for a vital operation, to become a defining moment in World War I. Some took to etching the soft chalk walls. Their subjects of choice were their regimental badges. A French archaeologist rediscovered the mine, part of a massive cave complex, in 2001. A Canadian company, Candigm, has reproduced the etchings and the full-sized reproductions are on display at The Royal Montreal Regiment (RMR) at 4625 St. Catherine. “Hundreds of these etchings were discovered,” said Lieut.-Col. Colin Robinson, a former commanding officer of the regiment and now its honorary lieutenant colonel. “Some are clearly the work of trained carvers, so more basic; many are marked with a purple pencil, which is interesting historically. These soldiers were the first to be given the plans, maps and pencils, and they used the pencils to highlight their etching and the indelible lead turned a purple.”

The exhibition is open to the public until Thursday, April 28, from 4 to 8 pm weekdays and 10 am to 4 pm weekends. Schools can book private visits by contacting gwec@royalmontrealregiment.com.

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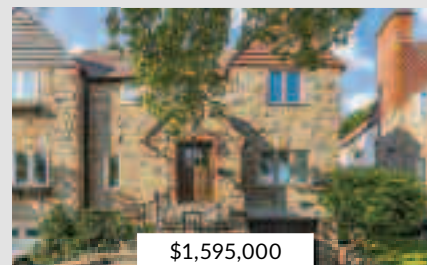
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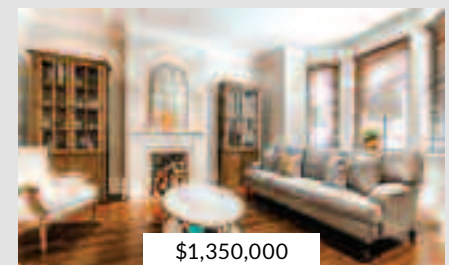
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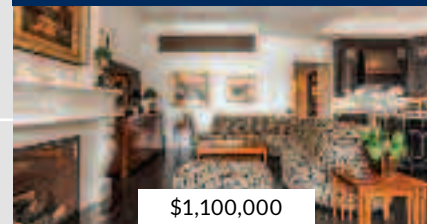


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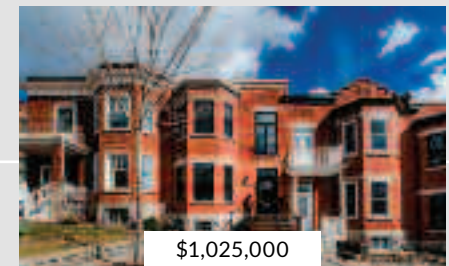
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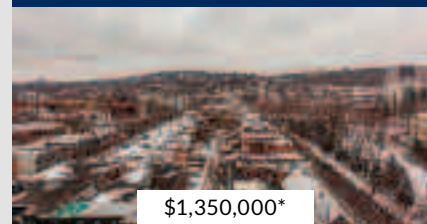


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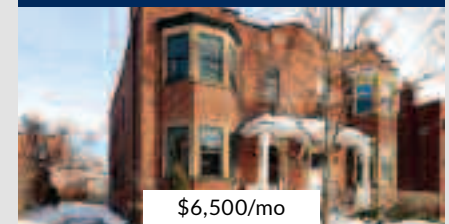


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« **Fairy Tale Magic Workshop** » (7-12 ans)  
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**Atelier de poésie avec Ann Lloyd**  
**Le mercredi 13 avril à 10 h 15.** Le Groupe de poésie de Westmount compose des poèmes à partir de thèmes proposés par les membres. Bienvenue à tous. Info : 514 989-5299.

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**Représentation de Magic Theatre (4-10 ans)**  
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**Réception Journée mondiale du livre**  
**Le mercredi 20 avril à 17 h 30.** Afin de souligner la Journée mondiale du livre, la Bibliothèque invite les membres de ses clubs de lecture à une dégustation vins et fromages. RSVP : [dlach@westmount.org](mailto:dlach@westmount.org).

**Cercle de lecture de Finnegan's Wake de Joyce : The Boaters and Sifters of ALP**  
**Le mercredi 20 avril à 19 h.** Joignez-vous au groupe de lecture et plongez tête première dans une discussion passionnée sur l'œuvre magistrale de James Joyce, *Finnegan's Wake*. Découvertes et surprises sont au rendez-vous. Apportez votre exemplaire du livre. Info : 514-989-5299.

**Poésie et pâtisserie**  
**Le samedi 24 avril à 14 h.** Célébrez le mois national de la poésie en savourant des petites pâtisseries tout en écoutant des poètes locaux. Salle Westmount. Info : 514-989-5299.

## Prochaine séance du conseil le lundi 2 mai

**Club de lecture en français**  
Dirigé par : Gisèle Magny  
**Le lundi 25 avril à 13 h.** Lyonel Trouillot. Info : 514-989-5299.

**Club de lecture en anglais**  
Dirigé par : Claire Holden Rothman  
**Le mardi 26 avril à 19 h.** *The Narrow Road to the Deep North* par Richard Flanagan. Info : 514-989-5299.

**Conférences de 14 heures : Tracey MacKenzie**  
**Le mercredi 27 avril à 14 h.** *An Introduction to Feng Shui* avec Tracey MacKenzie. Info : 514-989-5299.

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**Série de concerts d'été : soumissions**  
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Tuesday, April 12, 4 p.m. Lydia Lukidis offers a fun workshop on the magic of fairy tales. After examining popular tales, students will write their own unique fairy tale. In collaboration with TD-Blue Metropolis Children's Festival. Info: 514-989-5229.

**Poetry Workshop with Ann Lloyd**  
Wednesday, April 13 at 10:15 a.m. The Westmount Poetry Group meets to compose poetry together working with themes proposed by members. Welcome to all. Info: 514-989-5299.

**Forensics Camp Unleashed (9-12 yrs.)**  
Thursday, April 14, 10:30 a.m. In this workshop, author Monique Polak shares tips to help youngsters create their own detective stories. Participants can expect to learn about forensic science, red herrings, suspects and suspects in collaboration with TD-Blue Metropolis Children's Festival. Info: 514-989-5229.

**Performance of Magic Theatre (4-10 yrs.)**  
Sunday, April 17, 2 p.m. Presented by the Teen Tour Theatre Junior Group. Written by Sandra Matthews Deacon and directed by Aviva Wolman-Wener. Fun for the entire family! Info: 514-989-5229.

**World Book Day Reception**  
Wednesday, April 20 at 5:30 p.m. In celebration of World Book Day, the Westmount Public Library invites book club members to a wine and cheese reception. RSVP: [dlach@westmount.org](mailto:dlach@westmount.org)

**Reading group for Joyce's Finnegan's Wake: The Boaters and Sifters of ALP**  
Wednesday, April 20 at 7 p.m. Join the drive skimming the surface or sifting through the byers of Joyce's *Finnegan's Wake*. Bring an open mind and a copy of the book. Info: 514-989-5299.

**Poetry and Pastry**  
Sunday, April 24 at 2 p.m. Celebrate National Poetry Month by sampling sweets and savouries and listening to local poets. Westmount Room. Info: 514-989-5299.

**French Book Club**  
Leader: Gisèle Magny  
Monday, April 25 at 1 p.m. Lyonel Trouillot. Info: 514-989-5299.

## Next Council Meeting Monday, May 2

**English Book Club**  
Leader: Claire Holden Rothman  
Tuesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. *Richard Flanagan's The Narrow Road to the Deep North*. Info: 514-989-5299.

**2 O'Clock Conferences Series: Tracey MacKenzie**  
Wednesday, April 27 at 2 p.m. An Introduction to Feng Shui with Tracey MacKenzie. Tickets required. Info: 514-989-5299.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Gallery at Victoria Hall: call for projects**  
Deadline: April 15, 2016. Emerging or professional artists residing in Westmount are invited to apply for the Gallery's 2016-2017 exhibition season. Info: 514-989-5521, [westmount.org](http://westmount.org) or [victoriahall@westmount.org](mailto:victoriahall@westmount.org).

**Summer Concert Series call for submissions**  
Deadline: April 29. The Library and Community Events Department is now accepting submissions for its 2016 Summer Concert Series in the park. These concerts provide wide exposure for emerging or professional small jazz ensembles, classical, folk and pop groups. Info: 514-989-5226, [cproctor@westmount.org](mailto:cproctor@westmount.org) or [www.westmount.org](http://www.westmount.org).

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**Household Hazardous Waste Collection**  
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**Street maintenance schedule from April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
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**Summit Woods: dogs on leash**  
From April 16 to June 15. During the spring bird migration period, dogs must be kept on leash AT ALL TIMES in Summit Woods. Public Security officers will patrol and may issue fines to those contravening the by-law. Info: 514-989-5222.





*'A death trap,' says another*

# Cyclists call on city to eliminate bollards on Glen bike path, resurface its lanes

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Bollards delineating the bike path on Glen Rd. reduce the manoeuvrability of cyclists on the steep and narrow roadway, city council heard at its meeting April 4.

Ron Diamond, who pedals up the hill from St. Henri to work in Westmount, asked the city to eliminate the “posts” it typically installs in the street after the winter saying they create “a dangerous situation” for cyclists.

The bollards, he explained, prevent him from moving around potholes and other obstacles without veering out into traffic. He told of “close calls” he had had with joggers, pedestrians and even other cyclists who disembark under the railway arch when the hill gets too steep for them to ride uphill.

“What you say makes a lot of sense,” said Mayor Peter Trent. He asked the city’s Traffic Advisory Committee to look at the problem.

“It’s a deathtrap,” added cyclist Richard Lock, a Lansdowne Ave. resident, who spoke in support of Diamond’s request. “It’s a terrifying experience.” He disagreed with the way the bike lanes are split onto both sides of the street “but at least it has to be surfaced for cyclists.”

Councillor Patrick Martin, Public Works



Richard Lock addresses council April 4.

commissioner, told the *Independent* that “following an excellent suggestion from a few bike-riding residents, I have asked Public Works to make certain that any designated bike lanes, especially those with bollards, are sufficiently smooth for safe riding.”

## Sign too close to see?

Three people in their 20s were found consuming alcohol March 29 in Sunny-side Park, Public Security officials said. They were among a group of seven immediately beneath a sign prohibiting alcoholic beverages. The three were ticketed \$77 each for possession of alcohol. None lived in Westmount.

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# Final adoption of PPCMOI uncontested

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an Immovable" (SCAPOI/PPCMOI) has undergone major amendments. These focus on providing citizens with early notice of a project, access to plans and a public meeting as the city's Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) begins to review a project under this by-law.

Interestingly, none of the residents who had spearheaded the changes in the by-law spoke during the question period following the address by Samiotis as commis-

sioner of Urban Planning.

Ultimately, Samiotis said, it was the job of the elected officials to make the final call on its adoption.

Residents of Grosvenor had expressed concerns the PPCMOI by-law would be used to allow development of the current Metro property at Sherbrooke and Victoria and the parking lot their yards back onto. This has since been scuttled (see story April 5, p. 1). "We're relieved," said Grosvenor resident Marina Brzeski on leaving the meeting (see photo, p. 3).

District 5 Councillor Christina Smith, referred to the amount of time the residents "most of whom I represent" as well as Samiotis had put into the by-law amendments and said she believed "a better by-law had resulted."

Architect Ken London, who lives on Prince Albert and had made many inter-

ventions into the changes, told the *Independent* after the meeting he accepted that the outcome "was the best the city could come up with."

He said he was "comfortable," however, that once the city had been through two or three of these projects that some of the suggestions he had made based on his experience of having worked with the PPCMOI process in other jurisdictions "would make sense and would be accommodated in the future."

Now that the by-law had been adopted, however, Maureen Kiely asked the council to turn its attention to its plans to study condo development, densification and planning vision as previously announced (see story February 9, p. 1). Kiely is co-president of the Westmount Municipal Association.

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He is more than ready for a new family, and he is presently up for adoption at the SPCA Annexe, located at 7314 Mountain Sights Ave. (just a block from Jean Talon). The shelter is open from Tuesday to Sunday from 12 pm to 5 pm for visits without an appointment.

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## Accident sends one driver to hospital

A two-car accident March 30 at Sherbrooke St. and Mountain Ave. caused the airbag of one to deploy, causing the driver's nose to bleed, Public Security officials said. Officers had been dispatched to the location at 6:33 pm. The injured driver, a 57-year-old Westmount resident, was described as exhibiting a behaviour sometimes associated with a sign of possible frontal lobe trauma, officers report. Urgences Santé took him to the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Firefighters disconnected the airbags, and the car was towed. The driver of the other car, an Audi, was granted parking toleration so an insurance company could arrive to assess the damage. The car had been purchased only a month earlier.

### *St. Léon meeting cont'd. from p. 5*

meeting, two parents said they were willing to accept the annex as a temporary solution.

The Education ministry is expected to make a decision in the coming months regarding St. Léon's expansion – the plans for which include five additional classrooms.

The school's population is about 670, not including seven welcome classes at the annex already, Richard said. Several of its rooms, including its library, have been converted to classrooms in recent years.

One parent asked several times what the legal capacity of the school was, and no one was able to provide an answer. Richard later told the *Independent* the capacity was 620, according to her notes.

Responding to concerns raised, Beaumont said school specialists would rotate between St. Léon's and the annex, that a shuttle service would be provided between locations for students, and that the two locations would run on the same schedules.

Some parents said overpopulation was caused by students from areas outside of the school's boundaries, and said the school lacks integrity when it comes to verifying addresses. The St. Léon boundary runs roughly between Victoria Ave. and University St., and from the Ville Marie Expressway up to the southern edge of Mount Royal.

The Charlevoix annex is at 633 de Courcelle St., which is between the Home Depot and Notre Dame St.

## Fire truck leaks on Metcalfe

A fire truck stationed in Westmount sprung a hydraulic fuel leak March 29 on Metcalfe south of Melbourne, Public Security officials said. Public Works spread

## Fighting women separated

Public safety officers came across two women fighting on the ground at Atwater and St. Catherine March 29, Public Security officials said. The larger of the two was described as lying on top of the other, kicking and punching her. The two were separated by patrollers, helped by two off-duty police officers who offered their assistance in keeping the women apart. Police were called and took the aggressor into custody. PSOs could not issue a ticket for fighting since the incident at 8:08 pm had taken place in Montreal territory.

## Noise from party muffled

A noisy party was toned down April 1 at the rear of a home on Kensington, according to Public Security officials. Patrollers told the homeowner about the complaint at 10:43 pm and the problem was resolved when windows were closed and the volume of music lowered. No tickets were issued.

### *Bike path cont'd. from p. 1*

Anderson stated residents were "opposed to the bike path and opposed to the white lines," someone in the audience called out: "what colour do you want, then?" None, Anderson said. The lines were "visual pollution." Anderson said he was representing "active citizens for the preservation of Westmount's residential heritage."

The Côte Rd. route is to be installed in tandem with the eastbound commuter bike route on Westmount Ave., which could be affected by street reconstruction work after Roslyn School closes at the end of June.

The purpose of trying out the routes experimentally is to collect data for assessing the feasibility of permanent bicycle lanes (see story October 13, p. 1). These would double the kilometers of bike routes in Westmount, Cutler said.

While the new ones would not be designated for year-round use, Cutler pointed out that cyclists are allowed to use roads at any time.

It is expected the bike route on Côte St. Antoine would not only improve safety and also help reduce the speed of traffic, he explained. Speed is known to be lowered as a street is narrowed.

an absorbent compound on the street to soak up the fuel, and the incident was reported cleaned up by 3:35 pm.

## PAC's centennial exhibit opens

By LAUREEN SWEENEY



An exhibition marking "100 years of Architectural Excellence" in Westmount will open to the public at the Gallery in Victoria Hall Thursday, April 14. The display will be officially opened by Mayor Peter Trent the previous evening at a reception welcoming new residents and volunteers.

The exhibit of photographs illustrating various examples of architectural development through the years is one of several events planned to celebrate the centennial year of the city's Planning Advisory Com-

mittee (PAC).

The exhibit was announced by Councillor Theodora Samiotis, Urban Planning commissioner, at the city council meeting April 4 in which she extended thanks to Bruce Anderson for the work he was undertaking as curator of the exhibit.

Anderson, a longtime Westmount architect who was attending the meeting, was given a hearty round of applause from the audience. He was a member of the PAC in 1990 and again from 1994 to 2003 and taught at the McGill School of Architecture for some 60 years.

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# Users ‘exercised’ over WRC noise

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rooms. “The instructor is hard to hear, especially if music is turned up to mask the noise.”

The signatories are asking the city to “eliminate or reduce the high pitched mechanical whine which exists in these rooms.”

“There’s nothing we can do right now,”

Sports and Recreation director Dave La-pointe told the *Independent*. “It’s obviously loud. It’s always been an issue because the compressors are freezing the ice year round. Is it crazy loud? Not to the point of being illegal. But it’s a significant noise. There’s also a vibration you can feel in the floor.”

“I just don’t know why they moved us from Victoria Hall to a building built for

skaters,” said former city councillor Joan Rothman, who takes a fitness course in the rooms.

She said she had signed the petition but has other things she “objects to more” than the noise.

She finds the exercise room is small and has a slippery floor covering for people in her program over age 60. “It’s not as comfortable or as appropriate for these programs as Victoria Hall.” On the other hand, she added, “The instructors and the people looking after us are certainly excel-

lent.”

Anne Barkman, who said she now wears two hearing aids, said the noise from the compressors makes it difficult to hear the instructor. She likes the venue, however, because it’s closer to her home.

Councillor Rosalind Davis, Sports and Recreation commissioner, said she has heard the noise “and I agree. It’s continuous. It’s constant and annoying.” She said she does not know who was behind the petition, “It just turned up one day in my mailbox.”



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**AVIS D'ADOPTION  
RÈGLEMENT 1489**

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné que le règlement 1489 intitulé « **RÈGLEMENT SUR LES PROJETS PARTICULIERS DE CONSTRUCTION, DE MODIFICATION OU D'OCCUPATION D'UN IMMEUBLE (P.P.C.M.O.I.) DE LA VILLE DE WESTMOUNT** » a été adopté par le conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount, lors d'une séance ordinaire tenue à l'hôtel de ville le 4 avril 2016.

Ce règlement a pour objet de permettre au conseil d'autoriser, à la suite d'une demande et sous réserve de certaines conditions, un projet particulier de construction, de modification ou d'occupation d'un immeuble si ledit projet déroge à un règlement d'aménagement urbain. Pour être autorisé, un projet particulier doit être cohérent avec les orientations du plan d'urbanisme de la municipalité.

Ce règlement entre en vigueur conformément à la loi.

Toute personne intéressée peut consulter ce règlement sur le site web de la ville : [www.westmount.org](http://www.westmount.org) et en obtenir copie au bureau du greffe situé au 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest à Westmount, du lundi au vendredi, de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 12 avril 2016.

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**NOTICE OF ADOPTION  
BY-LAW 1489**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that By-law 1489 entitled “**BY-LAW CONCERNING SPECIFIC CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION OR OCCUPANCY PROPOSALS FOR AN IMMOVABLE (S.C.A.O.P.I.) OF THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT**” was adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount at a regular sitting held at City Hall on April 4, 2016.

The object of this by-law is to enable the Council to authorize, upon application and subject to certain conditions, a specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal in respect of an immovable if the proposal is at variance with an Urban Planning By-law. To be authorized, a specific proposal must be consistent with the aims of the municipality’s planning program.


This by-law comes into force according to law.

Any interested person may consult said by-law on the City’s website: [www.westmount.org](http://www.westmount.org) and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the City Clerk located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, in Westmount, from Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.


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**AVIS D'ADOPTION  
RÈGLEMENT 1497**

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné que le règlement 1497 intitulé « **RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER DE NOUVEAU LE RÈGLEMENT 1318 SUR LES TARIFS** » a été adopté par le conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount, lors d'une séance ordinaire tenue à l'hôtel de ville le 4 avril 2016.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that By-law 1497 entitled “**BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 1318 CONCERNING TARIFFS**” was adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount at a regular sitting held at City Hall on April 4, 2016.

The object of this by-law is to replace the tariff for a certificate for any other temporary uses of publicly owned property - space for parking meter with a tariff for a Certificate for any other temporary use of publicly owned property - parking space as well as to update the fees for the solemnization of marriages and civil unions and for the transcription or reproduction of documents.

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Any interested person may consult said by-law on the City’s website: [www.westmount.org](http://www.westmount.org) and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the City Clerk located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, in Westmount, from Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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# Albert Einstein luncheon inspires



## Social Notes from Westmount and Beyond

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An amazing view of the copper cupola of St. Patrick's Basilica against an azure sky on a Greek-blue-sky day was the go-to window at Borden Ladner Gervais (BLG) on February 8, when Westmount-headquartered Canadian Friends of The Hebrew University (CFHU) held its Albert Einstein Luncheon. The law firm's art-filled offices were admired by guests on their way to the 9th floor conference room for the presentation by professor **Yaakov Nahmias**.

Founder and director of the Alexander Grass Center for Bioengineering, Nahmias did his post doctorate PhD at Harvard before joining The Hebrew University of

Jerusalem (HU), where he is director of the Alexander Grass Center for Bioengineering and director of the BioDesign Centre. His theme talk was "Bringing Medical Innovation to the Marketplace." And what a topic it was!

As they enjoyed kosher sushi created by Westminister Gourmet, listeners were awe-struck at the amazing scientific advances and inventions he mentioned. For example, a team is studying why leaves and branches twist in nature and how to possibly apply that to medical devices; investigating using micro-robotics with magnets and fruit flies; investigating alternative methods to animal experimentation by using in vitro technology ("a very fast-growing field"); and researching tissue engineering. Today, HU is collaborating with multi-nationals such as L'Oréal. Reflecting today's generational aspirations, the HU teams also investigate a product's market potential. Interestingly, teams are composed of diverse talents. Lawyers, intellectual property ex-



Anna Brojde.

Photo courtesy of CFHU



From left: Ari Brojde, Simon Bensimon, Yaakov Nahaim and Ziv Nevo-Kulman.

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perts, designers, doctors and engineers drive the thinking behind innovations.

Chatting over coffee and rapidly-disappearing chewy chocolately brownies were Westmounters **Matthew Gallagher-Price, Lewis Dobrin, Carol Koffler and Evelyn Bloomfield-Schachter** as well as CFHU executive director **Simon Bensimon** and BLG's **Neil Hazan**, who introduced Nahmias.

Also noted were **Phil Nadler, Cielo Carin, Ryan Rabinovitch, Harvey Zalcman, Anna Brojde, Robert Cloutier, Jodi Lackman, Florence Rozon** and CFHU past president **Monette Malewski**, who thanked Nahmias.

Later that evening, Bensimon and CFHU organized a reception at the home of **Ziv Nevo-Kulman**, consul general of Israel in Montreal. Among many noted at the event were Westmounters **Robyn and Ari Brojde, Anna Brojde, Harry Bloomfield, and Irene and Stephen Lipper**.

Albert Einstein and Sigmund Freud founded HU in 1918. Today their inspira-

tion is carried on, taking the institution to world-wide fame for scientific discoveries as well as seven Nobel laureates in the last decade.



Evelyn Bloomfield-Schachter and Neil Hazan.



Monette Malewski and Robert Cloutier.



Carol Koffler and Matthew Gallagher-Price.

## Whiff of weed, ticket for booze

A \$77 ticket was issued March 23 to a 23-year-old Montreal man for possession of alcohol behind Westmount Park School, according to Public Security reports. Patrollers spotted the man at 9:39 pm with an open bottle of beer in the company of two others. A smell of marijuana was also noticed. All were warned about trespassing and loitering on private property, as well as about drinking in a public place. All were described as cooperative and departed.



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# Indie's Spring Social Calendar, Part 2

By VERONICA REDGRAVE

## April

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

2016 Benefit Evening for Maison Saint-Gabriel, museum and historic site, 5:30 pm. Under the honorary co-presidency of Liliane Colpron and Josée Fiset, the co-founders of Première Moisson. Tickets: \$250. Event location: Concourse – Windsor Station, 1160 Avenue des Canadiens. Information and reservations: 514.935.8136 or maisonsaint-gabriel.qc.ca.

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 20 AND THURSDAY, APRIL 21

**You Be the Star. The 70's Rock On!** Segal Centre fundraiser. Chairs Joanne Cutler and Shari Ann Fleming. Two shows. 6:30 pm. April 20. 7:30 pm on April 21. Segal Centre, 5170 Côte des Neiges Rd. Tickets \$55 and \$36 (under 12). 514.739.7944. youbethestar.segalcentre.org.

## May

### TUESDAY, MAY 3

**Montreal Centre of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO** There Is Many Like Us, a Holocaust documentary on Rena and Max Frobenberg. Directed by Max's grandson Josh Webber, who will introduce the film. 6 pm. AMC Forum, 2313 St. Catherine St. W. Tickets \$54 (includes light dinner) 514.933.8461. alanna@montreal.chw.ca.

**Giant Steps Foundation Auction.** Benefit for Giant Steps School dedicated to providing programs for children with autism. Host Charles Lafortune. Chairs Johanna Choremis, Mitch Garber. 6 pm. Le Parquet, 1000 Place Jean-Paul Riopelle. Tickets \$225. Elaine Lalonde or Tracy Pennimpe 514.935.1911. Local 226. Giantstepsmontreal.com.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

Alzheimer Groupe (AGI) Inc. hosts **Vente Privée Cocktail.** Vintage designer clothing, purses, boots, belts and scarves. Brands include Chanel, Louis Vuitton, Giorgio Armani, Prada. 5 – 9 pm. 5500 Ferrier St. Tickets \$75. Vintagerecall.ca. 514.485.7233. info@agiteam.org.

### THURSDAY, MAY 5 – SATURDAY, MAY 7

Alzheimer Groupe (AGI) presents **Annual Vintage Sale Extravaganza** free and open to all. 10 am – 5 pm. 5500 Ferrier St. Lots of free parking.

### THURSDAY, MAY 5

Trafalgar School for Girls' Magical and

**Mystery Gala, The Case of the Disappearing Principal,** honouring retiring principal Geoffrey Dowd to support the school's bursary program. Magic by Ted Outerbridge. Cocktail dîatoire. 6 pm. Tickets \$125. Recent grads (2010-2015) \$75. Youth (17 and under) \$50. Trafalgar School, 3495 Simpson St. Tickets on sale through the website [www.trafalgar.qc.ca](http://www.trafalgar.qc.ca).

**McCord Museum Ball.** Bella & Stravagante. Black tie gala. Cocktail 6:30 pm. Dinner 8 pm. Arsenal, 2020 William St. Valet parking. Gorgeous décor created by design guru Dick Walsh. Tickets \$750 (tax receipt \$500). Prestige tables \$15,000 (tax receipt \$12,500). 514.398.7100. Local 278. Ball@mccord.mcgill.ca.

**#SmashTheStigma Cocktail,** the 2016 Donald Burman UP House Benefit. Take selfies with the famous at the Grévin Wax Museum. Cocktail dîatoire. 6 pm. 5th floor, Montreal Eaton Centre, 705 St. Catherine St. W. Tickets \$100. 514.798.0791. Buy and reserve online at [www.up-house.org](http://www.up-house.org).

### FRIDAY, MAY 6

**McCord Museum Sugar Ball.** Young McCord fundraiser for young professionals. Chairs Sandra Ferreira and Gerald Kounadis. Windsor Station, 1160 Avenue des Canadiens. Tickets: General \$140 (10 pm. Open bar) and Networking \$200. (8 – 10 pm. Gourmet stations and high-end drinks.) 514.398.7100. Local 286. Jm-ym@mccord.mcgill.ca.

### SATURDAY, MAY 7

**Fondation Variety Quebec** presents *Miles Ahead*. Canadian premiere of Miles Davis film, starring Don Cheadle. Cocktail dîatoire 5:30 pm. Film 7:30 pm. Balmoral Restaurant, 305 St. Catherine St. W. Tickets \$150. Marie-Hélène Hivon. mhivon@variety-quebec.ca. Online at [variety-quebec.ca](http://variety-quebec.ca).

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

McGill Head & Neck Cancer fundraiser **The Voice.** Chair Dr. Jonathan Young. Honouring Maria and Vince Guzzo. 6 pm. Le Salon, 1861, 550 Richmond St. Tickets \$250. Ilhem Douagui 514.340.8222. Local 3179. Mcgillheadandneck2016.ca.

### THURSDAY, MAY 12

**Tyndale St. Georges Community Centre's Auction Dinner.** Theme: London Calling. Chair Sandy Miron. Honouree Oliver Jones. 6:30 pm. Rialto, 5723 Parc Ave. Tickets \$175. (\$75 tax receipt) Susan McKinnon Bell. 514.931.6265. Local 25. Tyndaleevents.com. susanbell@tyndalestge-

orges.com.

### FRIDAY, MAY 13

**Les Ballets Jazz de Montréal. Nuit No-made.** Signature cocktails, dance performances. Young leaders chair Stephanie Rassam. Chairs Nico Archambault, Jennifer Campbell. Salon 1861, 550 Richmond St. Tickets \$165 includes cocktail party and night's festivities from 7:30 pm. \$125 from 9 pm (open bar and party). Alexia 514.982.6771. Local 5. communications@bjmdanse.ca.

### TUESDAY, MAY 17

**Alzheimer Groupe AGI's A Vision to Remember: Pompeii.** Cocktail dîatoire among the splendours of ancient Pompeii. 6 pm. MMFA, 1390 Sherbrooke St. W. Tickets 514.485.7233. info@agiteam.org.

### THURSDAY, MAY 19

**Institute for Governance Gala Dinner** honouring the Molson family, represented by Eric Molson, chairman emeritus, Molson Coors Brewing Company and André Chagnon, chairman of the board, Lucie and André Chagnon Foundation. 6 pm. Le Windsor, 1170 Peel St. Information and tickets [evenements@igopp.org](mailto:evenements@igopp.org) 514.439-9301.

### THURSDAY, MAY 19

**The Ball for The Children's, A Night to Remember in Argentina,** presented by the Montreal Children's Hospital Foundation. Patron of honour Pierre Dandoy, senior vice president Provigo & Loblaw's Quebec. Celebrity chef Antonio Park. Benefiting the Children's Healthy Kids Fund. Black tie. 6:30 pm. Windsor Station, 1160 Avenue des Canadiens-de-Montréal. Tickets \$600. Anne Lassonde 514.934.4846. [alas@mchf.com](mailto:alas@mchf.com). Ballforthechildrens.com.

**Camp B'nai Brith of Montreal.** The Gift of Summer Campaign. Hosted by Hainya Wiseman in her home. A thank-you to donors who make summer camps possible for so many children. Chairs Lori Elman, Anna-Sue Greenberg, Susan Grossman. 5 – 7 pm. Information 514.735.3669.

### SATURDAY, MAY 21

**Un pas pour la vie/A Step for Life.** Benefiting Hope & Cope's young adult program. Featuring Quebec's best dancers. Honorary president Anik Bissonnette. Tickets VIP \$150 (Cocktail dîatoire 5:30 pm. Performance 7:30 pm.) General admission \$50. (Performance 7:30 pm). Metropolis, 59 St. Catherine St. E. [Unpaspourlavie.com](http://Unpaspourlavie.com).

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

Muscular Dystrophy Canada presents **Cabaret et Cocktail Dîatoire.** Honorary chair Glenn Watt. 6 pm. Ritz Carlton, 1228 Sherbrooke St. W. Tickets and information [Kevin.harrison@muscle.ca](mailto:Kevin.harrison@muscle.ca). 1.866.999.-8909.

### THURSDAY, MAY 26

**Vie des Arts** celebrates 60 years. Editor Bernard Levy hosts the art magazine's gala dinner. Honorary presidents Louise Roy (Université de Montréal) and Sébastien Barangé (CGI). Guests of honour museum directors Marc Mayer (National Gallery of Canada); Nathalie Bondil (Montreal Museum of Fine Arts), John Zeppetelli (Musée d'art contemporain) and Line Ouellet (Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec). 6 pm. Théâtre Saint-James. 265 St. Jacques St. Tickets \$250. Information 514.282.0205.

**Grande Soirée Vimy.** Honorary co-chairs Yves Desjardins-Siciliano, president/CEO VIA Rail Canada and Paul Tellier, director, former CEO of CN, Bombardier Canada. Reception 6 pm. Dinner 7:30 pm. Michal and Renata Hornstein Pavilion, MMFA, 1379 Sherbrooke St. W. Tickets \$300. Buy on line [vimyfoundation.ca](http://vimyfoundation.ca). Sponsorships available. 514.904.1007.

### SUNDAY, MAY 29

**Tea Time** benefiting the Chez Doris day shelter for women. 2-5 pm. Atwater Club, 3503 Atwater St. Tea, scones and silent auction. Tickets \$60 and \$100 for two. Tatar Dikijian 514.816.0490. [tdikijian@chezdoris.ca](mailto:tdikijian@chezdoris.ca).

### MONDAY, MAY 30

**Words & Deeds dinner.** CIJA honours Michael Sabia, CEO/president, Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec. Award chair Stephen Bronfman. Dinner chairs Pierre Boivin, David J. Cape, Joel Reitman, Jonathan Wener. 6 pm. Complexe Desjardins, 1255 Jeanne Mance. Tickets \$500. \$200 for under 30. Shelly Fisher 514.916.1691. [sfisher@cija.ca](mailto:sfisher@cija.ca). [Wordsanddeeds.ca/montreal](http://Wordsanddeeds.ca/montreal).

## Correction

Information on the following two events – the 2016 Benefit Evening for Maison Saint-Gabriel, and You Be the Star. The 70's Rock On! – was incorrectly published in our last issue. They are now correctly listed here. We apologize for the errors.





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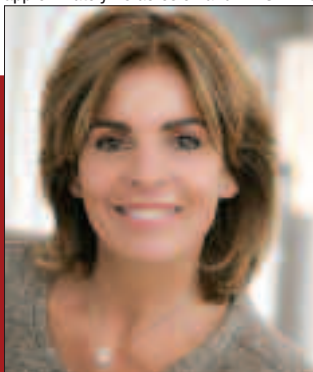
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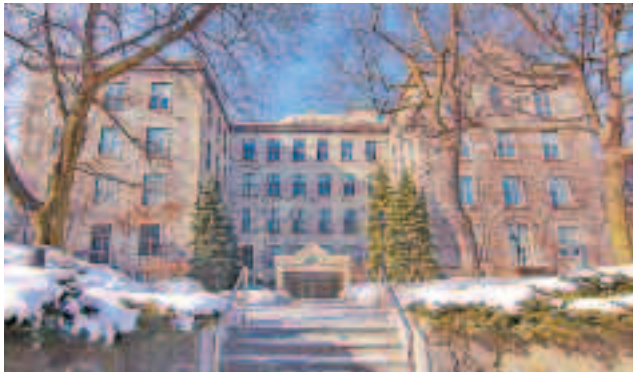
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