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Midget A, Pee wee B & C win championships



Westmount Wings No. 87 Adam Starr, seen here April 15, turns from dejected Thunderbirds goaltender Andreas Antonakopoulos after scoring one of the goals that gave the Wings a 5-2 victory. Westmount's Pee wee B and C teams also won EHL banners. See p. 6 for story.

Photo: Martin C. Barry.

Gun on Greene



This photo was taken at about 8:25 am April 12 at St. Catherine St. and Greene. Around the corner, Dorchester westbound in front of the RCMP's headquarters was closed to traffic. The RCMP was not able to respond to the Independent's inquiries by press time. Montreal police had no information on the incident when the Independent talked to them on April 13.

Photo courtesy of Jim Richards.

Summer means construction

"There are two seasons in Montreal," runs the old joke, "winter and construction."

Well, the latter has begun.

Westmount city council has approved tenders for work on Argyle, Roslyn and Burton (see "Reconstruction contracts ..." April 10, p. 5) and consultations with residents have begun with residents of those streets, see "Residents hear how Roslyn ..." and "Argyle work gets head start." on p. 4 of this edition.

There are pre-construction consultations this week for Burton and Clandeboye

residents, see Comin' Up, p. 15.

Work on the recently greenlighted 500 Claremont project is picking up, see p. 6.

Also, work in and near southwest Westmount continues on the McGill University Health Centre's new entrance tunnel from the Vendôme Metro station, see p. 11 for updates.

And the grand-daddy of them all – the Turcot/720/136 construction in southern Westmount (and elsewhere) – continues, uninterrupted by seasons or unhappy residents. See p. 6 and "West End residents calm, unhappy..." (April 3, p. 6).



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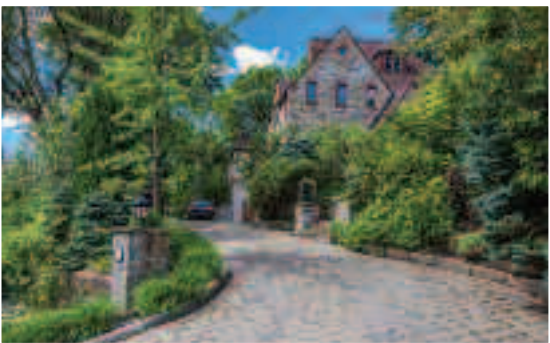
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Remembering Humboldt on Lansdowne

A hockey stick on the porch of 371 Lansdowne, seen here on April 11, was placed there by Elizabeth Johnston in solidarity with the many other Canadians expressing condolences on the loss of 16 members of the Humboldt Broncos junior hockey team and the 13 injured in a bus accident April 8 in Saskatchewan. The stick has special meaning to her, having belonged to her son, John Bethel, who played for the Winnipeg Jets. He now lives in The Bahamas. The Westmount flag was lowered April 13 in support of the Broncos. – LS.

Photo: Independent.

Quebec premier Philippe Couillard, along with ministers Kathleen Weil (Responsible for Relations with English-Speaking Quebecers), Carlos Leitão (Finance) and André Fortin (Transport), is hosting a town hall-style event at Dawson College on Sunday, April 22 at mid-day.

The event is primarily for provincial

Liberals and invited community leaders, but interested residents, who do not need to be party members, can request a reservation before Friday, April 20 by telephoning the Westmount-St. Louis Liberal Association at 514.397.9795 or emailing westmountsaintlouis@gmail.com.

Register to participate

Only those who register will be permitted to participate.

“In 2017, Premier Philippe Couillard met with English-speaking community leaders, hearing directly from them on how to help improve access to healthcare, increase youth retention, and fight the challenges of poverty and unemployment for the community,” said a press release. “This year, the premier and his team will continue connecting and engaging with Quebecers at town halls across the province, discussing how we can build a stronger future, ensuring that we’re all proud to call Quebec home.”

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Residents hear how Roslyn below Sherbrooke will be rebuilt

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

A number of concerns ranging from possible time delays to property damage were heard from residents attending a city information meeting May 4 on the upcoming reconstruction of Roslyn south of Sherbrooke, according to District 5 councillor Marina Brzeski.

Starting next month, the work includes replacing the 1897 water main as well as the public water entries, electrical conduits, lighting, sidewalks and roadway.

Some 25 or more residents were counted to have turned out.

Among the concerns, she said, residents asked what might delay the estimated 22-week duration, the undulation of new sidewalks, the narrow width for two-way traffic, the impact on elderly and vulnerable residents and damage to private property including a “fantastic garden” at Roslyn and de Maisonneuve.

Many of the questions related to experiences encountered during work in the same block last year on adjacent Grosvenor, she said. But “the work on Roslyn is simpler.”

Brzeski, who lived as a resident through the Grosvenor work, said it had

been particularly challenging given the many row houses, car aprons and water service entries. As well, there was a high-pressure gas conduit, a province-wide construction strike and unexpected repositioning of Bell infrastructure.

In presenting the Roslyn project, city Engineering director Elisa Gaetano explained that a strike was not anticipated but weather could delay the work, which is scheduled to last from mid-May through October.

It is to take place six days a week, including Saturdays from 8 am to 5 pm at the discretion of the contractor, but permitted weekdays 7 am to 7 pm, if needed.

There will be times when sections will be without street lighting at night. The water work will be divided into three zones, each to be completed before the next is begun. Temporary water supply is to be set up. One sidewalk will remain open at all times as will pedestrian access to homes. Road reconstruction will conclude the work, carried out in two halves (north and south).

“One person at the meeting said he liked the sidewalks the way they were and



This well-known garden at the northeast corner of de Maisonneuve and Roslyn, still covered by winter debris April 9, is not expected to be touched by water service work during the reconstruction of Roslyn.

wondered why they had to be redone,” Brzeski said. Concern over their undulation created by driveway accesses was noted, she said, adding that ways will be looked at to minimize the impact, as had been done in some stretches of Grosvenor.

As well, project manager Shawn Aloysius told the *Independent* the sidewalks and street won’t be narrowed. “We’re well aware of how tight the (two-way) street is during snow conditions.” The sidewalks are old and need redoing especially considering the new electrical conduit and lighting work will involve work under one of the sides.

Residents were told that the contractor, who had the experience of having worked on Grosvenor, would preserve and replace any of the driveway pavers that may have to be removed, Brzeski said.

The work is not expected to intrude into the well-known garden at the northeast corner of de Maisonneuve created by the late Neill Currie and now tended by Victor Yelverton Haines, whose own garden on de Maisonneuve adjoins it.

Haines, who told the *Independent* he had asked about the garden during the meeting, was relieved that no water service work would be done on the property, whose water service draws from de Maisonneuve. “I’ll remove the cobblestones along the sidewalk,” he said.

Residents wanting to take advantage of the opportunity to replace the private portion of the water entry pipes if made of lead or galvanized steel were recommended to do so. “A few people asked about the cost,” Brzeski said.

She said she was delighted to know that the city’s on-site point person would be Christian Enriquez of the Engineering team, who was applauded for his work on Grosvenor (see story December 12, p. 9). “He was a phenomenal communicator.”

Argyle work gets head start

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Reconstruction work that began last fall to redo Argyle from Thornhill to The Boulevard resumed April 3 with the installation of new public water service entries south of The Boulevard, working

down the east side first.

As the first of three phases, the work coincided with an information meeting April 5 to outline the plans for this year to residents. Two attended despite notices sent to all homes, city officials said.

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Workers continue installing public water service entries on the east side of Argyle south of Westmount Ave. April 9.

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Argyle, cont'd. from p. 4

The work will take place in three phases from April through October divided among three contractors starting with the water services and reconstruction of some portions of the sidewalk. This will be followed by rehabilitation of the water main and then by street lighting and the roadway.

Because Les Entreprises Ventec had already won the \$2.3-million contract last August 7 to replace the water entries and sidewalks at various locations, they had, after installation of new street lights north of Montrose, poured a temporary asphalt sidewalk for the winter, confirmed Engineering project manager Shawn Aloysius.

Work on the water services is to be carried out down one side of the street at a time, he said. "They're now working their way down the east side of the street to Thornhill and will then do the west side." This phase will finish with replacing portions of the sidewalk required on the east side of the street. New sidewalks had been put in not long ago so are in relatively good condition, he noted.

At the same time, Bell Canada is to replace its manhole at Argyle and Montrose. The city's site engineer for this project is Christo Kirkov, Aloysius said.

The second phase from May to August consists of rehabilitation of the water main by Aquaréhah. This involves insert-

ing a lining in the existing water pipe, which reduces the need to dig up the street, explained Sandra Avakian, assistant director general for infrastructure.

The third phase of the project scheduled for August to October consists of completing the installation of a new electrical conduit bank and lighting on the west side, followed by a new concrete sidewalk as well as the reconstruction of the new roadway by Cojalac.

Work on Argyle between Sherbrooke and Thornhill took place over July and August in 2015 and 2016 by Ventec, now doing the water services on the three blocks north of Thornhill.

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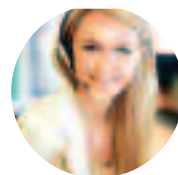
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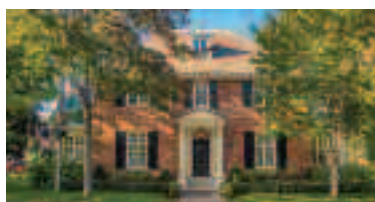
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Ville Marie gone above Glen, one ramp remains



Looking south down the Glen Rd. toward the Home Depot around noon April 14, the last remnant of the Ville Marie expressway (visible in the background) over the roadway was all gone by noon the next day. The span in the foreground is the westbound St Jacques exit ramp, which remains.

Photo: Ralph Thompson.

Peewee B & C win in their divisions

Westmount Midget A Wings win EHL division championship

By MARTIN C. BARRY

The Midget A Westmount Wings became the Eastern Hockey League's 2017-2018 season champions in their division on April 15 when they defeated the St. Laurent Thunderbirds 5-2 in a hotly contested match played on the Molson rink at the Westmount recreation centre.

Westmount decided to host the Eastern Hockey League finals at the WRC last weekend. In all, 13 divisions played matches on Westmount's ice last Saturday and Sunday.

While the Wings suffered a slow start

in their match, being first to be scored against, the 15- to 17-year-old players evened things up before the first period was up.

Although the Thunderbirds scored again early in the second period, Westmount soon caught up and never looked back after that, scoring two more goals in very quick succession before the end of the second period.

With St. Laurent seemingly losing the momentum they'd shown early in the match, the third period belonged to the Wings, who raised the score to 4-2, while landing their last goal in an empty Thun-

derbirds net for a final 5-2 count.

Thunderbirds coach George Warash took the defeat in stride. "It's just a game of hockey – back and forth – that's the way things go," he told the *Independent* following the match. "All in all, both teams played really well."

With the Midget A division championship secured at last, Wings coach Ed Harvey was upbeat in his assessment. "We finally figured out how to pass," he said, noting that his players seemed to get the message after struggling to some extent over the past season with the concept.

"That was the big thing. We had trouble with that all year. Although we haven't had any trouble winning, we had trouble with our teamwork. But this team in the end finally pulled together and became a team."

Even at the level of Midget A, the intensity of the on-ice action during playoffs is such that players do sometimes get carried away. As such, the game between the Wings and the Thunderbirds had more than a good share of penalties, as well as player suspensions for mouthing off.

A coach's work isn't always easy under such conditions, Harvey acknowledged. "The hardest thing on the bench is keeping the kids at this age calm so that they won't take a lot of penalties," he said.

Peewee B & C triumph, too

Westmount Peewee B and C teams also won EHL banners at the tournament, beating MRO (Outremont and TMR) teams 3-0 and 4-3 in overtime, respectively.

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Work at 500 Claremont focuses on interior design

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

After obtaining a green-light at the end of January to proceed with a non-conforming residential project at 500 Claremont, developer Gideon Pollack said last week that work has been focused on interior design. "We were fortunate to obtain a lot of very valuable feedback from Westmounters on our project during that period, so we have been incorporating much of that into the design of our interior layouts and making improvements where needed. Our hope is to start work sometime in the spring."

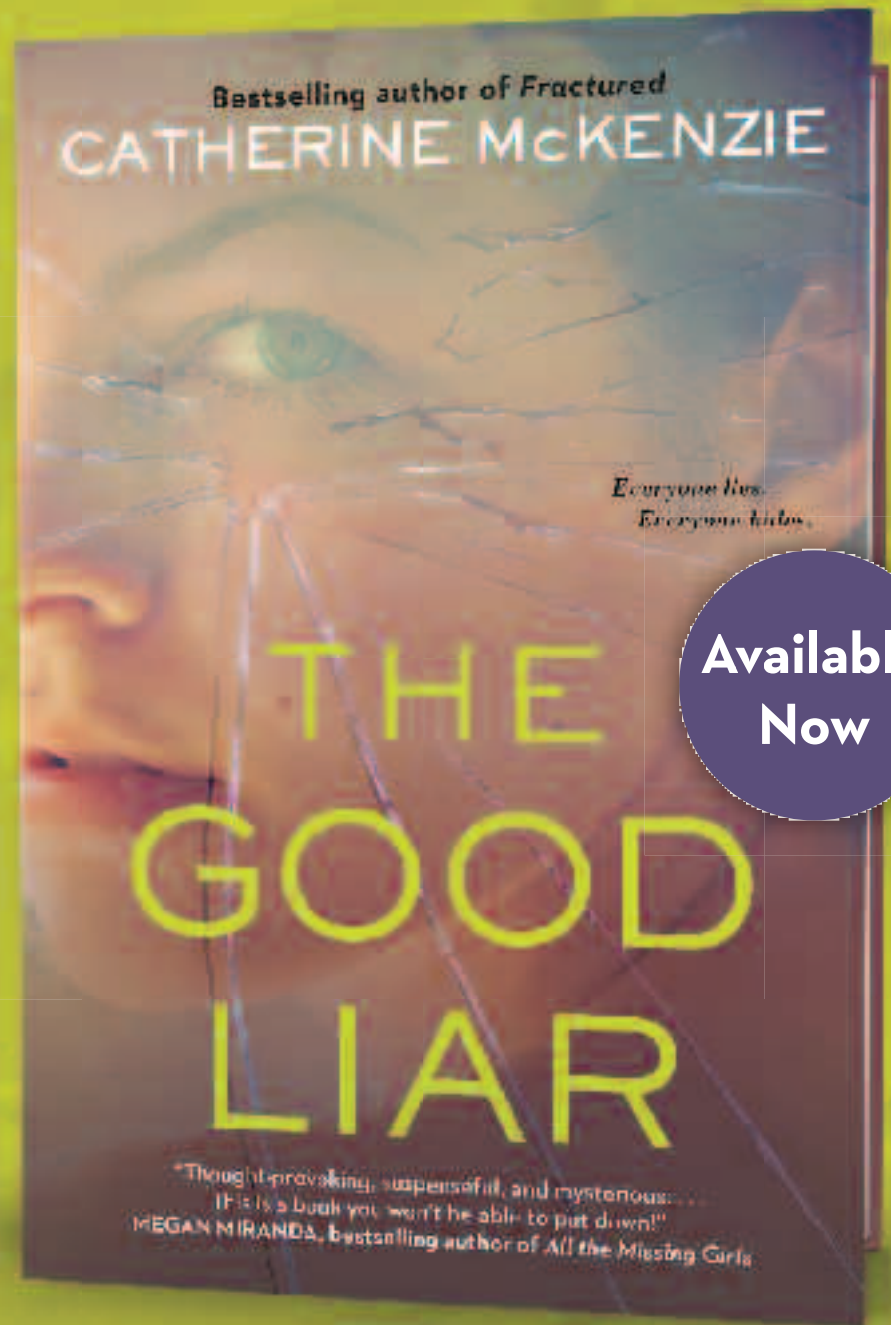
Because the plan to convert the century-old institutional building of Category II heritage rating sought to over-ride current zoning, it required special consideration under the city's specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) by-law. This could have generated a referendum but failed to generate a sufficient number of signatures at a registry session (see story February 6, p. 1).

The average size of the apartment units, he said, will be about 1,600 square feet. They are to have two or three bedrooms.

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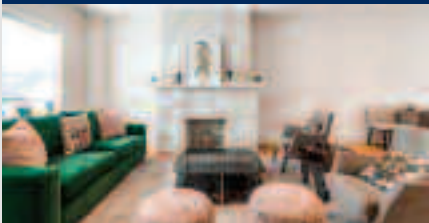
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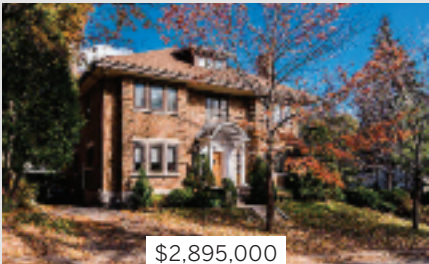
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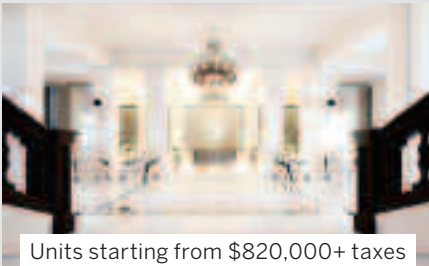
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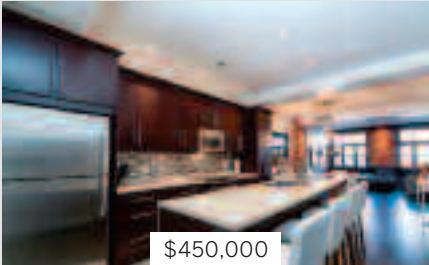
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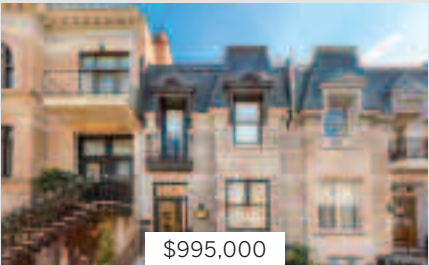
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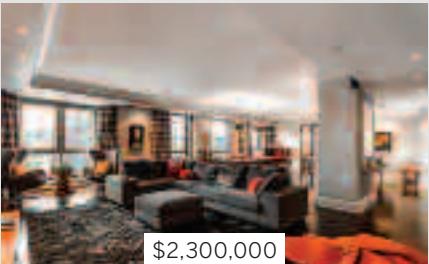
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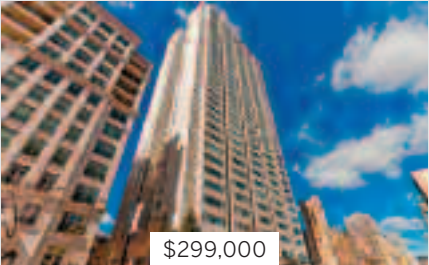
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Villa Maria students win first prize at first ‘Olympes de la Parole’



From the left, first prize-winning Villa Maria students Dalia Vita, Aristi Constantopoulos, Julia MacDonald-Erdström and Eleanor Fenner are seen on April 6 at the Atwater Library with UWCM public foundation trustee Liz Annesley and president Earlyn Sharpe.

By MARTIN C. BARRY

Four Secondary 5 students from Villa Maria School were awarded first prize during the first Canadian edition of the Olympes de la Parole, an academic competition focusing on human rights themes.

Sponsored by the University Women’s Club of Montreal, the competition saw students from three high schools present projects on how access-to-information technology can help empower indigenous girls and women in Canada.

The winners, Aristi Constantopoulos, Eleanor Fenner, Julia MacDonald Erdström and Dalia Vita, presented the results of their work at an awards ceremony held on April 6 at the Atwater Library. Teams from The Study and Sacred Heart School also gave presentations and received prizes.

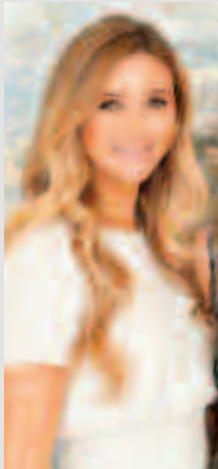
Evaluated by UWCM president Saôde Savary along with a panel of judges made up of a majority of indigenous women, the Villa Maria project won a \$2,000 scholarship.

Their project focused on the use of the Raspberry Pi, a low-cost mini-computer that the Villa Maria students proposed as an important key for disseminating mental health information in northern Canada.

The competition, which originated in France, is named after Olympe de Gouge, a French woman who authored the Déclaration des droits de la femme et de la citoyenne in 1791 during the French Revolution. An author and political activist, she was among the thousands of French citizens who were executed on the guillotine during the Reign of Terror.

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Police Report

Lansdowne break-in suspects flee after being spotted

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

The owner of a home on Lansdowne Ave. near the corner of Westmount Ave. was able to provide police with a description of two suspects who may have been trying to break into his house during the early afternoon of April 7.

According to Station 12 community relations officer Adalbert Pimentel, the owner was in the basement of the house, when he noticed through a window that two individuals were outside at the front door.

However, when the suspects saw they had been spotted, they ran off eastward along Westmount Ave.

The suspects are described as two white males in their 20s. The first was 5' 9" tall and weighed around 180 lbs. with a stocky build. He was wearing a dark green hoodie with an orange design on it.

The second suspect was said to be six feet tall, weighing 190 lbs. and slighter in build. He was wearing a tuque, a long black overcoat and was wearing a black backpack.

Pimentel said the Montreal police department's identification unit was summoned to find fingerprint evidence, which was forwarded to the forensics investigation department. The home owner imme-

diately called 9-1-1, "which was the right thing to do," Pimentel added.

Hit & run at Metro

A hit-and-run vehicle accident that took place around 11 am on March 2 in the parking lot of the Metro supermarket on Victoria Ave. resulted in damage to the front of the vehicle.

"Someone went to do their groceries and when they came out afterwards, the front fender had been damaged," said Pimentel, noting that the driver of the other vehicle didn't stay around. While the incident happened more than a month ago, the community relations department only became aware of it recently.

Hit & runs on Lansdowne, Argyle

In another vehicular hit-and-run incident, this one on March 20 on Lansdowne Ave. near the corner of de Maisonneuve Blvd., the front bumper of a parked car was damaged by a suspect who left the scene.

And in yet another hit-and-run, this time on Argyle Ave. on March 10, the driver-side front fender of a car parked on the street was damaged by another vehicle. Pimentel noted that passing traffic from construction activity in the area may have been a factor.

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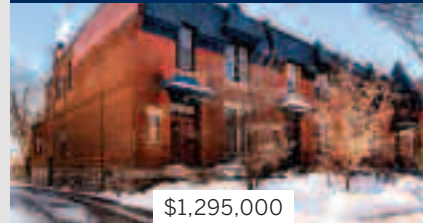


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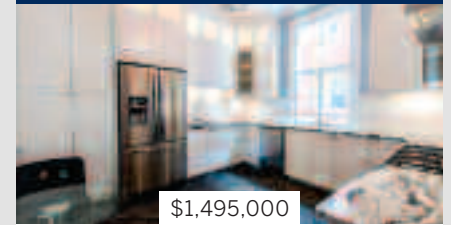


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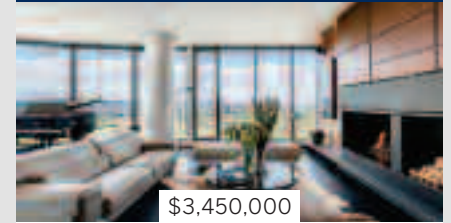


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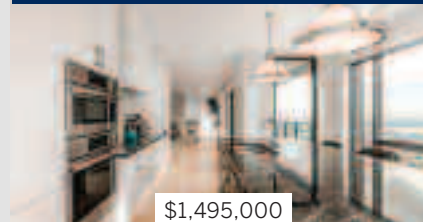
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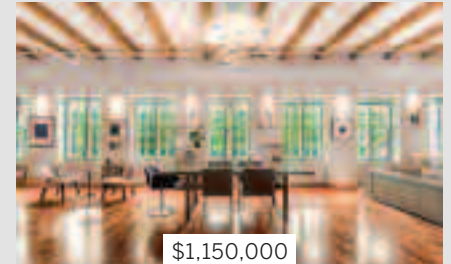
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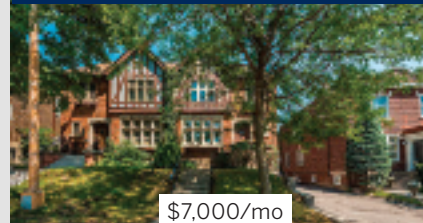


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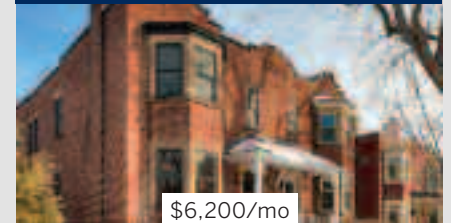


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Demolition meeting set for May 7

Larger house proposed to replace 51 de Lavigne

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The two storeys of a stucco house at 51 de Lavigne Rd. are proposed to be demolished and the basement extended to support a larger, higher three-storey home.

A hearing to examine the request to “deconstruct” what the city rates as a Category II heritage dwelling is scheduled to take place May 7 at 5 pm preceding the regular 7:30 pm council meeting.

“The half basement will be replaced with a full basement, which will require further excavation and side and rear ex-



Demolition sign is seen last week outside the house at 51 de Lavigne.

tensions,” states a summary from architect Rhona Goldenberg of Rubin and Goldenberg architects in Westmount.

The new basement will include provision for a four-car garage, office, mudroom, laundry and mechanical room.

On the ground floor, the larger house will gain a family room and large kitchen to add to a living/dining room and bathroom. On the second floor, it will have three bedrooms and two bathrooms while the new third, or attic storey, will have a bedroom, bathroom and family room.

The extended basement and additional storey are indicative of what Urban Planning director Tom Flies recently stated as ways in which homeowners are finding to enlarge their homes given the limitations of their properties (see story March 27, p. 1).

Building to limitations

In this case, the extension of the basement is allowing for an additional 442.45 square feet of the allowable maximum of 446, according to plans at city hall.

A short history of the house provided by the architect and included in the demolition file, states it was built in 1953 by Forest Homes, a Town of Mount Royal de-

veloper.

Efforts to obtain additional history on the house from the Westmount Historical Association failed to turn up any historical significance, Goldenberg wrote.

In general, the city attempts to preserve Category II buildings from demolition because of their heritage rating as “important.” This point is expected to be addressed at the demolition hearing.



Plans for a larger home designed by Westmount-based architect Rhona Goldenberg are seen in this colour rendering at city hall. The new height is shown aligning with the three-storey house to the east and at the border with Montreal.



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Activity continues on Westmount portion of Glen campus



New construction hoarding was visible on April 10 (left-hand photo, see yellow arrow at right) on the portion of the McGill University Health Centre's campus that is in Westmount. It was not up on March 9 (right-hand photo, see arrow at right). See also smaller photo from April 16. Another change from March to April is the seeming disappearance of a telephone or electrical pole (see red arrows at left in both pictures). A truck was also seen in motion April 10.

Photos: Independent.

What is happening on the portion of the campus of the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) that is in Westmount? It is visible from the foot of Prince Albert, where it meets St. Catherine.

MUHC spokesperson Kristina Anastasopoulos told the *Independent* in an email on April 11 that, "The work around that

area, along with most of the work in the immediate proximity (in and around the MUHC's Glen site) is related to renovations that are currently taking place at the Vendôme Metro station."

In an email of April 11, Westmount city councillor for the district, Marina Brzeski, replied to questions by writing: "There has



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A view of the site in NDG (foreground) and Westmount (centre of photo) on April 9.

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Financial counter area to be renovated

City council April 3 approved work to renovate the downstairs financial counter area of city hall inside the door off the parking lot. The contract was awarded to Groupe DRC (9282-0786 Quebec Inc.) for \$86,231. “It’s a pretty big project” that includes creation of a private meeting room, said Councillor Philip Cutler.

Tree cutting to start

The city’s systematic cutting of trees and removal of stumps was awarded April 3 to Arboriculture de Beauce Inc. for \$191,663. “Based on the specialized nature of the work and the equipment required, only one tender was received,” according to city background information. The bid was described as conforming to specifications.

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Quebec Writers’ Federation launches playwriting prize

The Westmount-based Quebec Writers’ Federation announced April 4 the creation of the \$3,000 QWF Prize for Playwriting, sponsored by Gabriel Safdie in conjunction with Infinithéâtre. The prize, which will be awarded every two years, is “to honour excellence in dramatic literature by a Quebec playwright writing in English,” said its press release.

“Safdie is a long-time patron of the arts,” continued the release, “and is happy to support a long overdue award to acknowledge Quebec playwrights who can ‘craft work that reflects the essence of ourselves, yet with words that may enact life

when breathed into action.”

The winning play will be given a reading in December of the same year during Infinithéâtre’s Pipeline series.

“Infinithéatre has championed Quebec English-language playwrights for over 20 years and is proud to be associated with this award,” artistic director Guy Sprung was quoted as saying, “Huge thanks to Gabriel Safdie for his generosity. We call him ‘St. Gabriel.’”

Richard takes on Logan

Monique Richard, who is a mail carrier for Canada Post in Westmount, will attempt to become the first woman to complete a solo summiting of Mt. Logan, Canada’s highest peak, reported the *Globe and Mail* on April 15. The Yukon mountain is 5,959 meter tall. About one half of attempting expeditions succeed. She leaves on May 11 and expects to take about 22 days.

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Social Notes

VERONICA REDGRAVE

Despite the chilling cold, the MUHC's Le Bal Rouge was, well, red hot. The opulent Ritz-Carlton Hotel's Oval Room shone scarlet for the night. Few LBD (Little Black Dresses) here.

Crimson table clothes with matching serviettes were accessorized with soaring bouquets of sensational scarlet roses. Hostesses clad in flowing gowns – yes, red – welcomed guests.

The glamorous eve celebrated the achievements of **Dr. Gerald Fried**, surgeon-in-chief at the MUHC. He attended with his wife **Karen**, his son **Howard Fried** (with his wife **Karen Goldberg Fried**), and daughter **Kimberly Fried**, with her fiancé **Raffi Povitz**.

Fried is a pioneer in minimally invasive surgery. In his honour, the MUHC Foundation created the Dr. Gerald M. Fried Chair in Surgical Innovation.

Ball co-chairs were **Alain Bellemare**, president/CEO Bombardier, there with **Marie-Josée Simard**, and **Marc Tellier**, partner at McKinsey & Company, with **Mélanie Dubé**. Noted amidst the star-studded soirée were foundation board chair

Rouge is the new *noir* at Le Bal Rouge



Howard Fried, Karen Goldberg Fried, Karen and Gerald Fried, Kimberly Fried and Raffi Povitz.

Anna Martini with her husband **François Hardy**; **Maarika Paul** (Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec) and **Martin Fafard**; Bombardier's **Olivier Marcil** and **Stéphanie Boutin**; **Phyllis** and **John Rae**; **Norman Steinberg** (Norton Rose Fulbright) and **Renée Kessler**; MUHC board chair **Peter Kruyt** and his wife **Claire Mullins-Kruyt**; **Kathleen Weil** and **Michael Novak**, and foundation pres **Julie Quenneville**.

MCs were media celebs **Leslie Roberts** (CJAD) and **Brigitte Bédard** (TVA / LCN).

Also noted were doctors **Richard** and



Richard and Sylvia Cruess, Renée Kessler and Norman Steinberg.

Sylvia Cruess, and **David Eidelman** attending with his wife **Brigitte**, as well as **Linda Shaw** and **Frank Motter**, and **Rick Petersen** with **Annie Gauthier**.

Cocktail hour was made even more splendid by an electronic harpist who serenaded guests while encased in a life-sized snow globe! The Ritz-Carlton banquet service lived up to its famed reputation. Cocktail fare was scrumptious and included lime-marinated shrimp. Dinner was even more delightful: a squash and cinnamon velouté soup was followed by lobster

ravioli and filet mignon.

Guests danced off the chocolate caramel dessert to the live music of the famed 1945 band.

Bombardier, a long-time MUHC Foundation supporter and patron sponsor of the night along with McKinsey & Company, was recognized for its landmark \$4-million donation to help fund the construction of the MUHC hospital at the Glen site.

The elegant eve raised \$500,000 to support the Dr. Gerald M. Fried Chair.



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By RALPH THOMPSON

City honours young athletes at Vic Hall sports banquet April 11

p. 14, middle photo, most sportsmanlike team: inter-city hockey Novice A Wings with director general Benoit Hurtubise and Councillor Conrad Peart.
Bottom photo, the 2017/2018 EHL season champions: Bantam A inter-city Wings with Councillor Philip Cutler and Councillor Marina Brzeski.

p. 15 top left photo, Indoor Soccer Sportsmanship: Jerry Wang, Olivia Fortier and Floriane Baudin with Mayor Christina Smith and Councillor Anitra Bostock. Bottom left photo, the 2017/2018 Novice fall league hockey champions with Councillor Kathleen Kez, coach Ryan Scruggs, Councillor Cynthia Lulham and coach Martin Landry. Top right photo, most improved Novice inter-city player: Claudio Taravati-Rossi with Hurtubise and Peart.



New medals for Westmount



For the first time, Westmount designed its own unique medal for the sports awards. Mayor Christina Smith stands with two of the three young designers, Wen Le (Sylvie) Chu and James Lee. The third contributor, Sophia Cristescu, was not present. They were each given a medal.



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THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Westmount Historical Association presents "In the dark shadow of Montreal," with Professor Harold Bérubé. \$5. Westmount Public Library. 7 pm.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Climate Café presents Ingrid Birker on the World Wildlife Federation's giant climate change map. Westmount Park United Church. 7 pm.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

An Earth Day Service on "The Community of Nature." Westmount Park United Church. 4:30 pm.

MONDAY, APRIL 30

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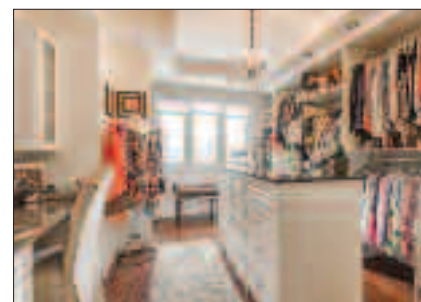
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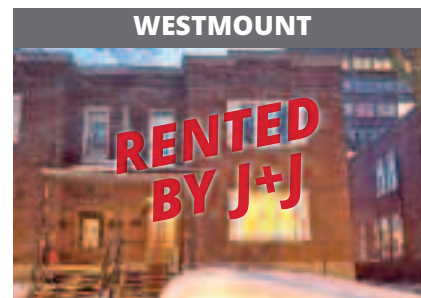
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