

Three residents add to ongoing complaints
Council asked to replace controversial dog run surface

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

It didn't take long once snow started melting from the dog run at King George (Murray) Park for the issue of dust from the surface material to come before city council.

At the April 1 meeting, Alix d'Anglejan-Cahillon of Argyle stepped up to the mic, saying she and her husband, François Janson, had been active users of the dog run until the surface was changed and wanted to add their voices to others opposing it.

"Is council not contemplating replacing it with the previous material?" she asked in seeking an update.

"We sprayed it and are trying to spray it again to keep down the dust," said Mayor Christina Smith, who explained how the city had had the dust tested for health con-

cerns. Replacing the surface material was not under consideration.

While most of the complaints concerned the Murray Park dog run, Anitra Bostock, commissioner of public security, explained that its location on the hill was subject to the way the wind circles around, thus compounding the issue.

Janson, who then joined his wife at the mic, said he found "most people" who use the run were non-residents, which he described was an irony. "Let's see what we can do this spring," he added.

Another user who lives on Sherbrooke St. added that the level of the dog run's surface was uneven and not flat like before. "Put it back," she said.

The choice of surface material was phased in starting at the end of 2015 with the cre- continued on p. 10

Athletes! Awards! Pizza!



The city of Westmount's spring 2019 semi-annual sports awards were held at Victoria Hall April 10. There were no awards for eating the most pizza, just lots of boisterous, hungry, thirsty young athletes. See p. 22 for more photos and winners.

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Cyclists ask council to reconsider
City's decision on new stands is firm: no expansion of Bixi this year

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The Association of Pedestrians and Cyclists of Westmount asked city council April 1 to reconsider a decision not to expand Bixi service in Westmount this year, even though Montreal continues to expand the network while looking to have pilot programs for e-scooters and e-bikes.

"We suggest Westmount follow that

same [Montreal expansion] strategy, rather than leaving current Bixi growth unfilled while waiting for possible new technologies," said Dan Lambert, president of the association.

He was referring to recent statements by the city that although it too was considering experimenting with e-scooters, Bixi had quoted too much money last year (\$185,000) continued on p. 19

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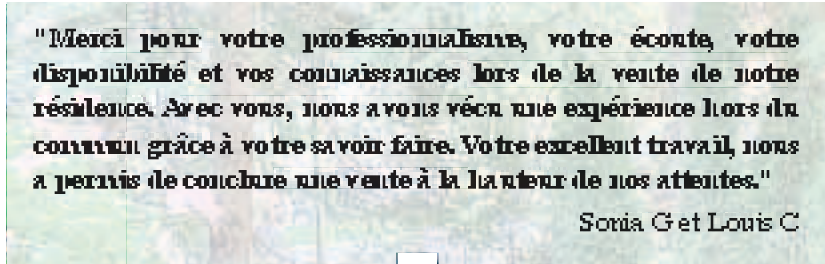
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Dry for another year

Water feature work postponed for King George (Murray) Park



Children playing at the Murray Park water fall in May 2016, the last year of its operation.

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Findings of a feasibility study undertaken last summer to repair the waterfall and pond in King George (Murray) Park proposed costly work to the entire system, some \$350,000, city officials said last week.

It was dry last year.

As a result, restoring the system was not deemed to be an immediate priority for this year and has been postponed, city Engineering director Elisa Gaetano explained. It was not included in the capital works budget for this year.

The contract for professional services for “conception and preparation of plans and tender documents for reconstruction of the pond” had been awarded last May to Le Group Conseil Genipur at a cost of \$58,637 (see May 29, 2018, p. 1 & 9). It was described as a stepping stone for consideration of work to be done.

Pond only or whole system?

The mandate was reported to include two options: repairing only the leaking pond or restoring the entire feature, which includes the waterfall.

The latter would be the preferred option, she said.

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‘Restoration’ of Westmount Park

Public consultation featured in developing park plans

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The proposed refurbishing of Westmount Park took a big step forward April 1 when city council awarded a contract for a wide-ranging feasibility study to develop an analysis, design, technical plan and budget regarding the park’s needs now and for the future.

The professional services mandate also calls for a survey of the population and the organization of meetings with various user groups and city departments, all leading to the preparation of tender documents for the work in various phases.

“There will be public consultations and polls and then work over several years toward the eventual restoration of the park,” said Councillor Cynthia Lulham, urban planning commissioner of zoning, economic development and parks.

This is to allow continued use of the city’s largest and “central” park during the work.

The study itself may not be completed this year, according to city Engineering director Elisa Gaetano. This is because of the public consultation component.

Also to be studied is “a global vision” for the watercourse, gazebo, play structures and playground as well as the bike path and possible retention basins.

Awarded to Stantec at a cost of \$206,500, the study comes on the heels of an engineering infrastructure assessment last year. This involved the park’s leaking watercourse, underground drainage, electrical network, sewers and other systems (see story March 13, 2018, p. 1).

The need to refurbish the park, update its infrastructure and create universally acceptable pathways has been discussed since the winter removal of declining trees two years ago (see story November 22, 2016, p. 1).

Project questioned

“We’ve been talking about these things... why can’t our own resources who know the park be the drivers?” asked John Fretz of Lansdowne. He also hoped the plan would not be “a wish list that can’t be done.”

Lulham replied it would be “grounded in reality” but that the scope of the project is too large for the city staff who already

have big jobs. “It’s why we’ve gone to tender.”

“Westmount is a consultant’s heaven,” stated Marilynn Gillies of Melville. “Why don’t we fix the things we already know” are needed? – such as the leaking lagoon.

“We want to do it properly,” replied Mayor Christina Smith.

Changes over the years

The park has not undergone extensive changes since 1963, Lulham told the meeting in reply to a question from Patrick Barnard of Melville.

That’s when a major facelift was undertaken by the Chicago firm of McFadzean and Everly, according to the Westmount Historical Association.

At that time the watercourse was re-designed to include a waterfall and an island for ducks. As well, a new children’s playground and a shuffleboard court were added and concrete was used for paved pathways and raised borders around flowerbeds and trees.

The city’s booklet *Westmount Parks and Greenspaces*, based on a study 10 years ago by landscape architects Fauteux and Asso-

ciates, pointed out that when the park was created in 1898, the site was “valued for its rustic landscape of brooks and small wooded ravines.”

Following changes over the years, it was increased in size with the closure of de Maisonneuve in 1985. This was followed in 2013 with the building of the recreation centre’s two ice rinks underground to recapture more green space.

Now, the city hopes to find out what residents appreciate about the park, what they want it to provide and how they envision it developing for the future.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RIP JEANINE-DELPHINE WILMOT

I wanted to mention that a member of the Westmount community – Jeanine-Delphine Wilmot, the owner of déjà porter, a high-end second-hand shop on Victoria – passed away recently.

I just saw several bouquets of flowers outside her shop and clearly she will be missed. It was quite sad and shocking to see the sign. She was a character, and she was lovely and helpful and made shopping fun.

I will miss her and her shop.

ALI MINDEL, SHERBROOKE ST.



PHOTOS: INDEPENDENT.



DEAR STRANGERS: THANKS FOR THE KINDNESS

Tove (from the word “beautiful” in Old Norse), a gentle feline of mostly Norwegian forest cat descent, can be found most Saturdays sitting in our shop window attracting the attention of people passing by or lounging under lamps at Arevco.

This past April 6, an hour before closing time, unbeknownst to me, Tove slipped out the door onto St. Catherine St. When my girlfriend returned from doing errands, she immediately asked, “Where is Tove?”

Thus began a frantic search, scouring the basement under boxes and bulbs, and all the many places a cat might hide. No luck there, so I went to the parking lot behind the store, where I began calling her name. I encountered a woman who said that while working at the neighbouring dry cleaners an hour earlier, a couple had come in with a cat enquiring if anyone knew whom she belonged to.

A glimpse of hope, but now what? Tove, an exclusively indoor cat, was not wearing a collar and had no way to be identified.

Next, we headed to St. Catherine St., where my distraught girlfriend began speaking with the friendly policeman parked on the corner of Greene Ave. and I visited Mod’s hair and Han gallery for further clues.

And then an angel appeared driving a red Jaguar. Real estate agent Ana Escarza stopped in front of my store asking if I had lost something. I then began to describe the long-haired cat with the raccoon tail and the black stripe that runs from



Tove in December 2018.

head to tail and the bottom of her paws. After scolding me for not having a collar on her, she said, “I think I have your cat!”

I motioned to my girlfriend, who came running up desperately, and gave her the incredible news. Ana had encountered the couple (who already had three cats) and had taken Tove to the safety of her home.

A most happy reunion for Tove and her owners, joined by another neighbour, who had heard about the rescue, and the policeman who had dispatched the info.

Many thanks to the couple and to Ana for their love of cats and kindness, and for having taken the time to save Tove, who is now wearing a collar with her name and phone number.

GREG AREVIAN, AREVCO (ST. CATHERINE ST.)

VIC VILLAGE ANSWERS NEEDED, NOT PLANTERS & BENCHES

Residents’ concerns about longstanding empty storefronts on Sherbrooke St. have received a diverse airing on these pages. While high rents, capitalism and a certain landlord were blamed, has anyone asked why storefronts are dark in the first place, or why some businesses come and go in the blink of an eye?

Let’s start with the obvious: do retailers have the merchandise locals want or need, products to lure shoppers from beyond Westmount? I, for one, would welcome budget-priced home décor stores readily found even in small-town Vermont.

Then there’s atmosphere and how the street is used: does it feel good to be out and about on Sherbrooke? Or do some people use it just as a route to elsewhere, like the library or bus stop?

Finally, brick-and-mortar’s competitive landscape is feeling the heat from online shopping, and must find ways to attract consumers and repeat business.

Hard questions need to be asked and answered, because installing planters and benches cannot transform a street into a shopping destination.

DOROTHY LIPOVENKO, YORK ST.

FREE MARKET DOESN’T, AND CROMWELL DIALOGUE WON’T, BENEFIT RESIDENTS

I applaud and appreciate the efforts of Westmount city council to find a solution to the issue of empty storefronts on Sherbrooke St. and as part of this effort to open a dialogue with Cromwell, the owner of [many] empty properties.

However, without trying to be a doom-sayer or appear overly pessimistic, I question whether there can be any win-win result with Cromwell. The owner says that he is “looking for the right tenants.” I can only translate this as meaning a tenant who can afford the exorbitant rate increases that apparently Cromwell asked for when current leases ran out. According to any other relevant criteria, the tenants that left seemed to have been the “right” tenants – i.e., established businesses that appeared to be successful, operating under at least yearly renewable leases. Many of the very helpful and interesting solutions found in references mentioned by another reader relating to the same problem in other cities (e.g. see April 9, p. 8) would on their face be rejected by Cromwell, its key criteria being the lessee’s ability to pay its prohibitive rents. All this to say, the dialogue with Cromwell seems to be a non-starter.

I think in seeking the views of experts council is on the right track. Another thing I think it should examine is why so many new businesses have opened on Greene Ave. and if the deciding factor is that there is no Cromwell or an equivalent to a Cromwell on that street. I don’t know if that is the case, but if it is, the free market/commercial freedom concept being touted by the *Independent’s* editor and others as gospel is not working, at least for the benefit of residents. Sorry to say, and as negative as this may seem, I think the focus should be on a legislated solution, even if it means imposing financial penalties, something council appears, for some reason,* to have rejected.

DEANA SILVERSTONE, GROSVENOR AVE.

*Editor’s note: The mayor was quoted last issue (p. 3) as saying that the city does not have the power (presumably under provincial law) to implement rent control. – DP.

‘IMPRESSIVE’ NUMBER OF RETAIL VACANCIES

A few weeks ago in the *Independent*, I noticed the familiar back ‘n’ forth debate of what to do (or not) with the on-going empty stores in Westmount.

However, as if to underline the dilemma, several pages later [in my reading], I spotted the

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Inventor, veterinarian, Victoria Ave. stalwart

Dr. Vaillancourt turns '50' – with no plans to retire

BY RALPH THOMPSON

Dr. Jean-Marc Vaillancourt opened the Westmount Animal Hospital at 349 Victoria Ave. 50 years ago. He had graduated from the University of Montreal in 1967 and started his profession in research.

Vaillancourt has seen many changes around Westmount and has many stories to tell of his experiences. For example, "A lady was very worried about her 12-year-old Yorkie and thought he might have swallowed something. But she was also concerned about the expense of having an x-ray."

Vaillancourt persuaded her to x-ray her dog, which revealed a large earring with a one-carat diamond. Her concerns about the cost evaporated. After a few days and a little help from Vaillancourt, the earring passed through the Yorkie and it was recovered.

Vaillancourt's curiosity has stayed with him throughout his career, which made him wonder at one time "What killed the cat?" One of the most common cat problems is bladder stones. Vaillancourt studied the issue, thought to be caused by the high-mineral diets such as fish bone. But



"High five, Liam." Vaillancourt combines gentle persuasion and a little food bribery to gain the trust of Liam, a 12-year-old Wheaten terrier, April 6 at the Westmount Animal Hospital.

when he looked further, including at cat litter, he realized that after cats stepped out of their litter boxes, they went on to lick their paws and continue their constant cleaning process. The cats were ingesting large amounts of mineral from the litter.

Vaillancourt went on to develop a cat litter, Chatonnel, that does not contain minerals.

Vaillancourt has dedicated over 50 years of his life to the health care of animals in and around Westmount, and continues to

address human beings and his patients with a big smile. He has no plans for retirement, "It's just too much fun," he said.

He is married with two children, one of whom is a veterinarian on Guy St. His wife, Madeleine Tailleur, is an artist and has exhibits in many galleries.

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Retail Watch of stores on Sherbrooke, Greene and St. Catherine. I counted 38 addresses in the "not in retail use" category. Quite Impressive.

DOUGLAS PRICE, ROSEMOUNT AVE.

Editor's note: For the general reader, who may not follow this matter as closely as some, I would like to add some information about these 38 vacancies and the discussion about them:

1) Most of the recent discussion on our editorial pages has been about Victoria village only and a major landlord, Cromwell, that is active there, even though its market position is very old news (see "Has Cromwell conquered Victoria village?" May 15, 2011, p. 1);

2) The 38 empties that Douglas Price mentions *continued on p. 19*

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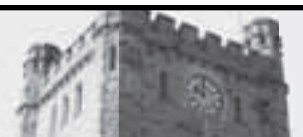
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— *Bunny Berke & Larry Lusko*

32 ‘intercultural conversations’ grants awarded by Cole Foundation

BY HEATHER BLACK

Westmount’s Cole Foundation recently awarded 32 grants totaling \$490,400 to Montreal theatre companies.

Established to encourage dialogue between Quebec’s many ethnic or cultural groups, these intercultural conversations grants fund new scripts, translations or production costs. Performance themes include falling in love with someone from an opposing religion, problems facing immigrant children or the path to self-determination for Muslim women. The grants fund a variety of productions, from comedy, drama or staged readings to musicals or dance.

Foundation chairman Barry Cole said: “We are now in our tenth year and grant applications have increased to 57 submissions.”

A former manager in the performing arts, Cole explained the funding process: “The competition is first announced in June and recipients are selected by an independent jury of theatre professionals including



Barry Cole.

actors, administrators, writers, or translators.” He also commented: “We are the only private foundation in Montreal that funds intercultural performances and I try to see as many of them as I can.”

Productions during the 2018-19 season included the Segal Centre’s musical on Inuit residential schools, *Children of God*, and Théâtre d’Aujourd’hui’s drama *Aalaapi* on life in the Arctic.

Former Westmounters associated with past intercultural conversations grants include Scapegoat Carnivale’s Alison Darcy, who co-wrote and co-directed with Joseph Shragge Yev and Porte Parole’s Annabel Soutar for the English translation of *Fredy*.

Created in 1980 by John N. (Jack) Cole, the family foundation also allocates \$1.3 million each year to fund pediatric oncology and hematology research. With an emphasis on child or youth leukemia, these grants include six transitions awards to new researchers and 26 research fellowships.

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Felcarek-Hope wins science fair with bio-degradable plastic

By MARTIN C. BARRY

A teenage resident of Roslyn Ave. won the top prize recently at the Montreal Regional Science & Technology Fair with a project that holds the potential to replace today's most common plastic with a biodegradable one made out of aquatic algae.

Adelka Felcarek-Hope and her project partner Sofia McVetty are secondary 4 (grade 10) students at Royal West Academy. While Felcarek-Hope conducted most of the research, McVetty concentrated on aspects that involved effectively communicating the findings.

Their project, "The Poly-Phaeophyceae Method," was selected by the judges for the Best Overall Award out of 178 projects presented during the three-day event that ran at Concordia University from March 24 to 26.

Felcarek-Hope and McVetty set out to investigate how they could reduce the global consumption of non-renewable fossil fuels. They ended up creating a cellulose-based biodegradable plastic out of phaeophyceae algae, a renewable resource found abundantly in North America and Europe.

Besides the top prize, their project won eight other awards, including a gold medal for

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Seen here at home on April 5, Adelka Felcarek-Hope is holding a sample of the biodegradable plastic (at left) that won her and her project partner the Montreal Regional Science & Technology Fair's top prize.

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Felcarek-Hope, *cont'd. from p. 9*

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Dog runs, *cont'd. from p. 1*

ation of the run in Westmount Park and at others as the city’s various dog runs were updated. The one at Murray Park was re-done for the end of 2016.

The chosen granite/sand mix was applied very thickly and led to widespread complaints about dangers from holes dug by the dogs as well as health risks to both human beings and dogs from inhaling the silica dust.

Control measures

In an effort to check out air quality and possible health risks, the city commissioned two sets of laboratory tests.

The findings stated the risk of silicosis was considered low due to the limited exposure to the sporadic dust clouds. As well, no significant trace of heavy or toxic metals was found, though fungal or bacterial risks were not analyzed (see stories June

place it,” they wrote in a description of their project, noting that polyethylene is currently used for many of the most common single-use plastic consumer products including disposable bags, bottles and cups.

Although chemistry isn’t taught at EMSB schools until secondary 5 (grade 11), Felcarek-Hope took it upon herself to bone up on some of the scientific discipline’s



Alix d'Anglejan-Cahillon at the mic.

12, 2018 and September 11, p. 8).

Looking for alternative solutions, the city began spraying with water to keep down the dust and then resorted to the application of a dust reducer used at equestrian competitions but never for dog runs (see story, October 16, 2018, p. 3).

fundamentals. However, she said she has always had a good head for math and formulaic approaches.

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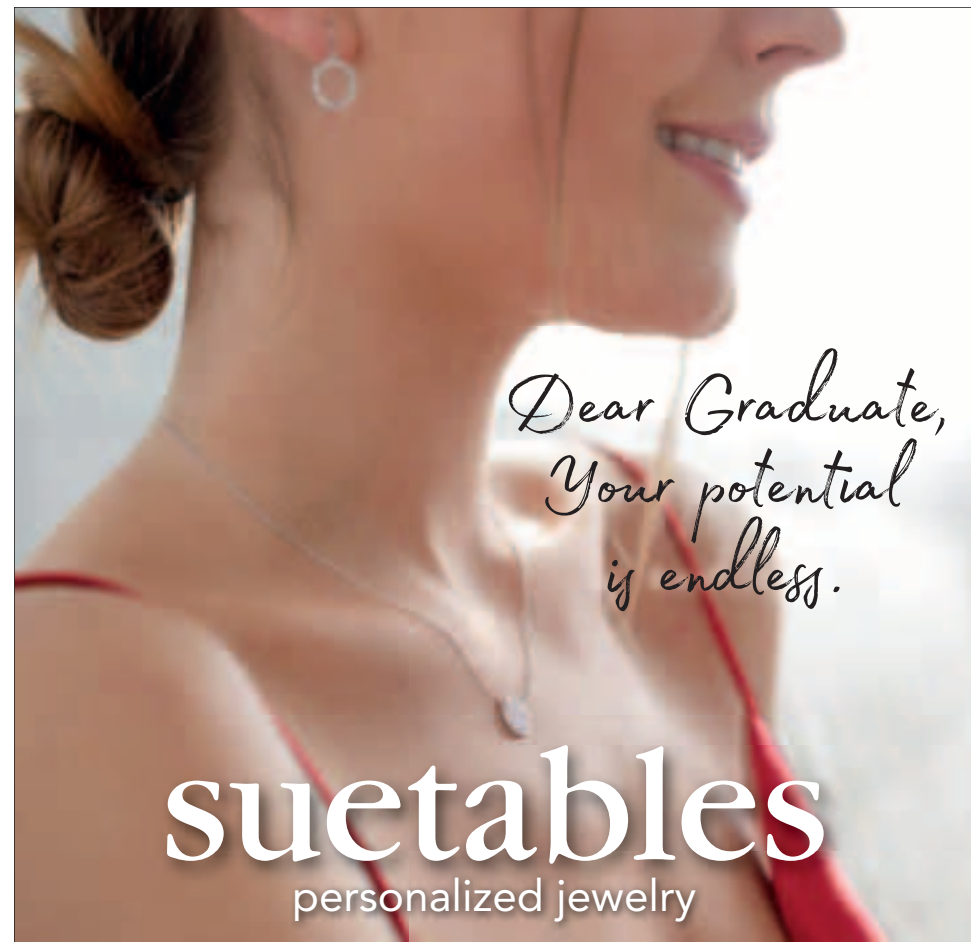
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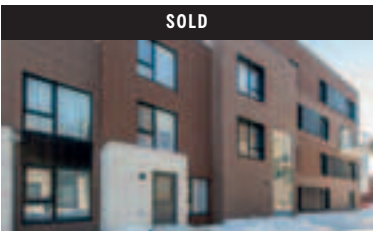
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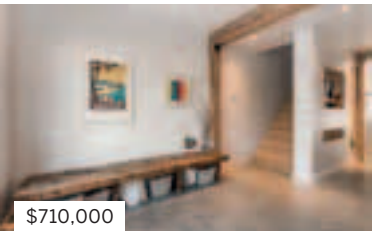
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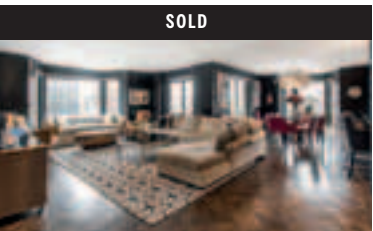
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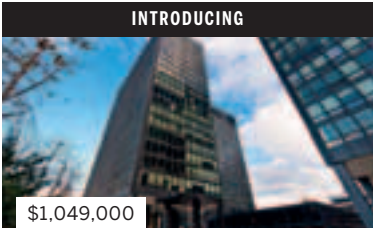
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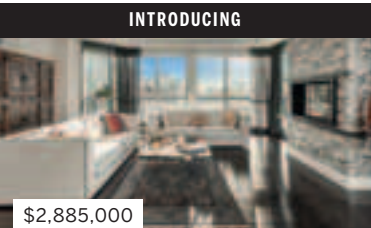
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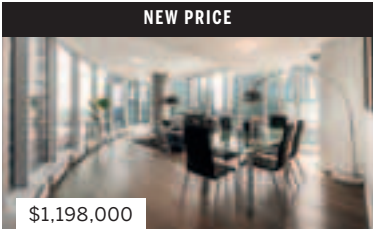
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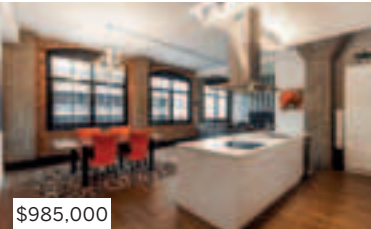
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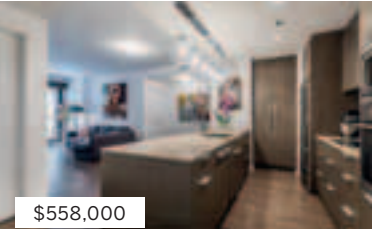
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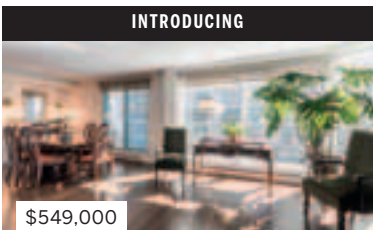
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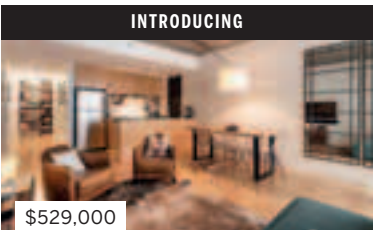
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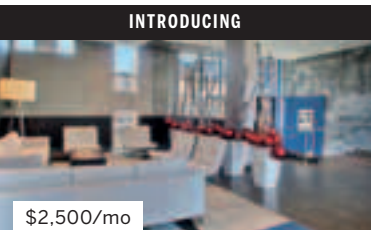
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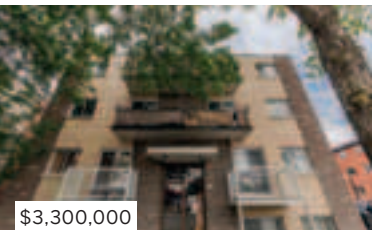
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Police Report

de M. break-in suspects released

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

While police at Station 12 on Stanton St. report there was relatively little criminal activity in Westmount over the past few weeks, there were two noteworthy incidents during the last few days of March.

On March 29 between 2:30 and 3 am, a witness on Grosvenor Ave. near the corner of de Maisonneuve Blvd. heard a window breaking behind a building located on de Maisonneuve.

Not long after, he saw a male suspect with a stick in hand entering the building, then exiting less than a minute later and fleeing the scene.

Despite the forced entry, there is no immediate proof that anything was stolen from within, said Station 12 community relations officer Stéphan Laperrière.

Police officers from Station 15 (who cover Westmount at night) responded to a 9-1-1 call about the break-in. Within three minutes, according to Laperrière, they spotted two males walking along de Maisonneuve a few streets from the location of the incident.

“The two guys were then held for investigation,” he said. “One of them, his

clothing matched, was similar to what was given in the witness’ description. But when the witness was asked for further precisions on the suspect’s clothing, he wasn’t able to be more precise.”

The suspects were successfully identified by the police, but were released afterwards because of insufficient evidence. Still, Laperrière continued, the investigators “did find some elements that could be perceived as tools for break-and-entering. But it’s still under investigation. They’re going to try to find more ways to identify them.”

Assault at Atwater & St. Catherine

On March 28 around 11 pm, officers from Station 12 responded to a call concerning an assault alleged to have taken place near the corner of St. Catherine St. and Atwater Ave.

“There were some minor injuries,” said Laperrière. “The victim was sent to hospital where he was released later on.”

The victim was a 27-year-old male. His injuries were described as superficial. Investigators don’t know yet how things got started. Although the police were unable to locate the suspect, the incident remains under investigation.

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Kisielewski, Mercik honoured as outstanding Manoir Westmount volunteers



From left, front row, Simona Buth, the Manoir's leisure department supervisor; the Manoir's 2019 outstanding volunteer service award winners Adam Mercik and Rose Kisielewski; and Manoir Westmount general manager Tom Thompson; back row, Mayor Christina Smith. Photo at right, Eileen de Neeve.

BY RALPH THOMPSON

April 7 to 13 was National Volunteer Week, celebrating Canada's 12.7 million volunteers, according to the Volunteer Bénévoles Canada website. This year's theme was "The Volunteer Factor – Lifting Communities," said Simona Buth, Manoir Westmount's leisure department supervisor.

Buth thanked the nominating committee, the residents' council, the Manoir choir, the Manoir Players, all those who contributed to the annual bazaar and all the Daffodil Days volunteers, who helped collect \$950 for cancer research.

Manoir Westmount general manager Tom Thompson made a few opening remarks and announced the outstanding volunteer winner for 2019, or, in this case, joint winners, residents Rose Kisielewski and Adam Mercik,

They have contributed to the Lifesavers shop and Monday Night Bingos. They have

both served on the residents' council and volunteered for the bazaar.

Mercik has also helped Kisielewski tend to her beautiful garden, which all Manoir residents admire. Mercik has volunteered for nine years and will soon be offering a series of talks on his wartime and work experiences.

Kisielewski has volunteered for 12 years and besides the volunteer work already mentioned she continues to produce works of art, which include cards, jewelry and her fantastic floral arrangements and paper flowers, which have decorated the Manoir on special occasions and which sit in many residents rooms. The *Independent* published an article about the complicated lives of Kisielewski and Mercik during World War II on November 8, 2016, p. 27.

A volunteer award was also given to Eileen de Neeve for her work at the Manoir Roman Catholic services and Faith Sharing Group and for starting the Faith-Based Meditation Group, which is co-led with

Catharine McKenty and Mary Ross.

Guest speaker Mayor Christina Smith spoke of her strong belief in community service and volunteering, which includes being a soccer coach. A large and delicious strawberry-topped cream cake annotated with "thank you volunteers" was divided up amongst all present.

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tries and jurisdictions around the world no longer allow this practice. In 2018, Nova Scotia, British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador, and Prince Edward Island banned the surgery. Alberta, Manitoba and New Brunswick will be doing so shortly as well. Let us join them and not make Quebec the last province to ban this cruel and unjustifiable practice.

Let's all take a stand!

Your neighbour, Lysanne

Letters, cont'd. from p. 7

(plus the former site of Second Cup at Sherbrooke and Claremont, for a total of 39) are composed of 23 in Victoria village and 16 in the Greene area;

3) By my count, 11 of the 23 Victoria village empties are Cromwell or Cromwell related, of which three are very recent: the former sites of Brasserie Melrose (closed), Bois et Cuir (moved out of Westmount) and Ben & Tournesol (which moved into a Westmount space where the occupant

Bixi, cont'd. from p. 1

to add new docking stations (see story March 26, p. 1)

"At the very least," Lambert said, "we ask that the busy Greene and Victoria docking stations be expanded."

He also asked whether the city had asked Bixi for a new quote to do this. The station at Greene was listed as the busiest in the entire network for 2017.

Business model

While Lambert's question went unanswered, city director general Benoit Hurtubise later told the *Independent* the city was not asking for a new quote since last year's proposal was firm and based on Bixi's "business model."

The proposal made to the city was to in-

moved upstairs, meaning a loss to the shopping public of only two retailers;

4) Two of the 12 non-Cromwell empties (Second Cup and Swiss Chocolatier) are very recent;

5) Another store site (where North Face still is, as of April 12) will likely be empty soon. The building's owner is Cromwell related;

6) Four of the 16 empties in the Greene area are in one building (4026-32 St. Catherine) with a complicated history (see

stall three new docking stations in Westmount, providing 15 slots each for bikes all at a one-time installation and operating fee of some \$185,000, according to general committee minutes of April 16, 2018.

At the rate Montreal was expanding its Bixi service into other communities such as the Town of Mount Royal, Hurtubise suggested last week it was conceivable the program might become an agglomeration expense, but this would be at the political level so he would not comment further.

Westmount had initially paid for the existing installation and servicing of five stations in 2009, a one-time payment.

Lambert told the council many residents wanted to reduce their personal greenhouse gas emissions and travelling by Bixi was one "great way."

"Former 'Subaru'/Packard building update – Powers to protect St. Catherine heritage building limited, says city official," January 22, p. 4);

7) I do not currently list nor have I counted the three empties in 4014-4022 St. Catherine, near Atwater, due to its (previously) likely demolition (see "No work on highrise as property up for sale?" February 12, p. 6). – DP.

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Avis de réception d'une demande de projet particulier de construction, de modification ou d'occupation d'un immeuble (P.P.C.M.O.I.)

La Ville de Westmount désire informer toutes les personnes intéressées du dépôt d'une demande en vertu du Règlement 1489 « Règlement sur les projets particuliers de construction, de modification ou d'occupation d'un immeuble (P.P.C.M.O.I.) ». La demande vise l'obtention de dérogations pour permettre l'agrandissement de l'école Saint-Léon-De-Westmount.

Adresse de l'immeuble : 360, avenue Clarke
Westmount, QC H3Z 2E6
Demandeur : Commission scolaire de Montréal (CSDM)
3737, rue Sherbrooke E.
Montréal, QC H1X 3B3

Toute personne peut consulter les documents fournis dans le cadre de la demande en utilisant le lien suivant : westmount.org/ppcmoi, ou au comptoir du Service de l'aménagement urbain à l'hôtel de ville, situé au 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest à Westmount pendant les heures d'ouverture, soit du lundi au vendredi de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30.

De plus, en vertu de l'article 2.7 du règlement 1489, le projet sera présenté au Comité consultatif d'urbanisme lors d'une réunion publique ayant lieu le mardi 7 mai 2019 à l'hôtel de ville, situé au 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest à Westmount, à 8 h 30.

Des commentaires sur le projet peuvent être émis sous forme écrite en utilisant le lien suivant : westmount.org/ppcmoi. La date limite pour soumettre des commentaires écrits est le vendredi 24 mai 2019. Veuillez noter que la Ville de Westmount ne répondra pas individuellement aux commentaires soumis.

Notice of receipt of an application for a Specific Construction, Alteration or Occupancy Proposal for an Immovable (S.C.A.O.P.I.)

The City of Westmount wishes to inform all interested persons of the reception of an application under By-law 1489 "By-law concerning Specific Construction, Alteration or Occupancy Proposals for an Immovable (S.C.A.O.P.I.)". The application requests variances to allow an addition to the existing building of the school Saint-Léon-De-Westmount.

Building Address: 360 Clarke Avenue
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Any person may consult the provided application documents on the city website under the following link: westmount.org/scaopi, or at the counter of the Urban Planning Department at City Hall, located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, in Westmount, during regular business hours, from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Likewise, in accordance with Article 2.7 of By-law 1489, the proposal will be presented to the Planning Advisory Committee at a public meeting taking place at City Hall, located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West in Westmount, on Tuesday, May 7th, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Comments on the project can be made in writing on the city website under the following link: westmount.org/scaopi. The deadline for the submission of written comments on the project is Friday, May 24th, 2019. Please note that the City of Westmount does not reply to individual comments.

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The Westmount Independent's Spring Social Calendar, part 1b



Social Notes

VERONICA REDGRAVE

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

Montreal Chamber Music Festival's Spring Gala: An Evening with Gregory Charles. 6 pm. Marriott Château Champlain Ballroom, 1050 de la Gauchetière St. W. Tickets \$400. Information 514.489.7444. infor@festivalmontreal.org

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CJPAC'S IMPACT. Cocktail dinatoire honouring Etty Bienstock. IMPACT celebrates contributions of leaders in the Jewish and pro-Israel community to Canadian political life. 5:30 pm. Cirque Eloize, 417 Berri St. Information Vanessa Fhima 514.938.0514. vfhima@cjpac.ca

FRIDAY MAY 31

The Hellenic Ladies Benevolent Society's annual Ilios Gala under the distinguished patronage of Senator Leo Housakos. Cocktail chic. To benefit the Society's Summer Camp program and Educational Assistance programs for underprivileged children. 6 pm. Le Windsor, 1170 Peel St. Valet parking. Tickets \$275. (Under 25 \$225). Contact Maggie Pagonis 514.969.0000. mpagonis@pml.ca. hlbs.ca.

Overheard

- ◇ "He's in house arrest right now." Young man to his friends. St. Catherine St. near Kensington, March 29 at about 11:30 am.
- ◇ "Don't die just to say 'hi,'" woman to her friend, Clarke Ave. at de Maisonneuve April 1 at around 9 am. The friend replied after dodging some cars to cross the street: "I risked my life for you!"
- ◇ "So excited for this weekend!" woman into her phone, de Maisonneuve near Claremont April 5 at around 8 am.



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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Demolition Application

1. The City of Westmount has received an application for a demolition permit, and for a replacement programme for the building located at 500 Claremont Avenue;
2. A public sitting of the Demolition Committee will take place on May 21, 2019 at 5:35 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, in Westmount;
3. The legal notice relating to the foregoing is available at: <https://westmount.org/en/resident-zone/legal-services-city-clerks-office/public-notice/>

www.westmount.org

Ville Marie noise class action ends in payment of \$2.9+ million settlement

By MARTIN C. BARRY

They lived within 350 meters to the south and 170 meters to the north of the Ville Marie Expressway, between Guy downtown and de Carillon in St. Henri, from May 1 to December 31, 1998, or from April 26 to Dec. 15, 1999, or July 1 to Oct. 16, 2000.

It was 2013 by the time the case was finally scheduled to be heard in court. However, it didn't get that far because the parties agreed before then on an out-of-court settlement, although it was still subject to a judge's final approval.

According to the law firm's web site, the settlement, including principal, interest and costs, ranges from \$2.9 million to a maximum of \$3.5 million, and the defendants do not have to admit liability.

The *Journal de Montréal* recently estimated the average claimant would receive around \$1,200. However, it varies depending on the extent of damages suffered by each of the claimants and the number of years they lived near the expressway.

The *Independent* was unable to reach Krantz by deadline for his reaction. However, another claimant, Brigitte Stock of Abbott Ave., said she and her family were satisfied with the outcome, as well as the

effort made by the lead claimant.

"We're especially happy with the initiative that was shown by Mr. Krantz," she said. "This is exactly the sort of citizen involvement that is really much appreciated. And it was obviously the right thing to do."

Gabrielle Gagné was the most recent of the law firm's staff of lawyers to handle the case. She took on the file in 2013.

Gagné confirmed that the case was an exceptionally lengthy one. She said additional information introduced by the defence led to more court appearances, with ensuing re-scheduling by judges and lawyers.

As well, settlement distribution processes were also lengthened, "because we have to give enough time for members to claim," said Gagné. "Pro rata distributions are a little longer because we can't start distribution until all the claims have been reviewed and accepted or denied."

There was an additional delay getting the cheques out, she added, because a good number of them had changed addresses.

The law firm was able to confirm the claimants' original addresses by obtaining the cooperation of the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec.

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Westmount’s spring 2019 sports awards



(left photo) Mayor Christina Smith (left) and sports coordinator Michelle Dodds with the most improved skating participants award winners Blaise Almafitano, Leonardo de Rojo, Rachel Olién, Jonathan Olién, and Eva Nahorniak. (right photo) Councillor Mary Gallery (left) and Dodds with girls’ instructional hockey, most improved player award winners Ella Aitken, Peewee/Bantam (left) and Elizabeth San Gregorio, Novice/Atom.

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2018-2019 Atom fall league champions, the Devils, with Gallery (left) and coaches Paul Coleman and Russel Kirstein.



Clrs Shamie (left) and Peart with the Novice fall, sportsmanship winners Chunhao Hu, Micah Borsuk and Patrick Colby.



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Councillors Shamie (left) and Peart with the Novice fall, most improved player winners Arthur Sala (left) and Bas Van Schelven.



Peart (left) and Shamie with coaches Ryan and Paolo Santini and the Bantam A inter-city banner and most improved player award winners Noah Clarke, Samuel McKenzie, (front) Matthew Mazzarello, Joshua Cobrin-Alvarez, Aidan Mizrahi and Ray Lawson.



(left photo) Director general Benoit Hurtubise (left) and operations manager Andrew Maislin with the Pee wee inter-city, sportsmanship award winners Zakaria Barin, Alex Assaf and Jordan Singer. (middle photo) Hurtubise (left) and Maislin with Atom inter-city sportsmanship award winners Sam Pilc, Jackson Pitfield and Leo Semionov. (right photo) Hurtubise (left) and Maislin with the Novice inter-city most improved player award winners Jeremy Behr and Ryan Pitfield.



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Just For Kids Foundation holds fabulous dance contest



Social Notes
VERONICA REDGRAVE

Who doesn't love to dance?

The Just for Kids (JFK) Foundation recently hosted a terrific toe-tapping eve for an excellent cause. The 13th annual event raised funds for high-priority medical equipment and to support patient initiatives at the Montreal Children's Hospital (MCH).

Excitement was high as the chic crowd enjoyed cocktails at the Windsor while waiting for the show to begin.

Performers were paired with dance pros from Juste Danse Studio and had practiced for months in anticipation of the fun night. Westmounters **Arabella Decker** and **Allyson Kassie** were co-chairs, working with committee members **Louise Guimond** (costume design), **Sebastian Carderelli** and **Mark Capombassis**.

Local res **Freddy Twik**, CEO of Groupe Corwik (who danced up a storm with pro **Maya Kolesnikova**!) was praised for bringing in a \$122,000. A record-breaking sum!

Other dancing partners were **Amberly Leasure** with **Maxime Deslauriers**, **Stacy Lelinowski** and **Zachary Dopson**, **Corinne Sommer** and **Mathieu Casavant**, and personal trainer and fitness instructor **Emerson Turnier** with **N'Gone Gueye**, the proud duo that won the Mirror Ball trophy.

Much to the delight of the audience, groups of dancers also took to the stage. Team Monopoly, with pro **Zachary Dopson**, featured Westmounter **Valerie Telio** along with **Debbie Lemish Gold**, **Rhonda Rudick**, **Rosie Bertucci**, **Natacha Bougie** and **Melissa Diamond**.

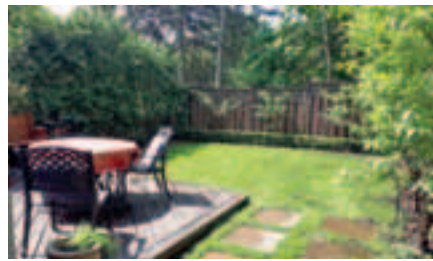
Team Risk, with pro **N'Gone Gueye** starred Westmounters **Amanda Eaman**, **Jos Edge** and **Dana Tisch** along with **Rachel Cytrynbaum**, **Tracy Delaney** and **Polymnia Galiatsatos**.

But not only adults were admired for their agility. "Bravos" were elicited for The Juste Danse Troupe Kids Group: **Lexie Blumer**, **Cristina Comito**, **Marina Carvalho**, **Rachel Gameroff**, **Devyn Goldberg**, **Emma Knecht**, **Lauren Lewis**, **Leora Nathaniel**, **Liv Telio**, **Liron Toledano** and **Lisana Zenou**. Teen dancer **Jordan Routenberg**, paired with pro **Stephanie Tam**, also wowed the crowd.

Judges were **Pierre Al-laïre**, **Meryem Pearson** *continued on p. 26*



Allyson Kassie and Arabella Decker.

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Social notes, cont'd. from p. 24
and Giulia Tripoli. Noted enjoying the energetic night were doctors **Lawrence Koby** (and Stacy Lelinowsky) and **Roni Munk** (with Gayle Munk), **Lilliana Simpson**, **Angela Lipper**, **Stan Borsh**, **Cory Garfinkle**, **David Snively**, **Lori Elman**, **Debbie Newpol**, **Nicole Senecal** and **Lynne Kassie**.
The dynamic eve raised \$311,000.
Lori Blumer, executive director JFK Foundation, noted that to date, JFK has contributed over \$311 million of equipment, touching almost every department at the MCH.



Dr. Lawrence Koby, Stacy Lelinowski, Gayle and Dr. Roni Munk.



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► Nutrition Workshop for Seniors: What to Eat to Keep Your Brain and Memory Healthy. \$5. Centre Greene, 1090 Greene Ave. For information, 514.931.6202. 11 am.

► Westmount Historical Association presents "The Montreal Bicycle Club" by Malcolm McRae, co-founder of the new Montreal Bicycle Club. The club, established in 1878, was one of the first bicycle clubs in North America. \$5. Westmount Room, Westmount Public Library. 7 to 9 pm.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

► Turcot project Bon voisinage meeting. Victoria Hall. 7 pm.

► Victor Bourgeau exhibition. Hurtubise House, 563 Côte St. Antoine. 3 to 7 pm. *Continues to Sunday, May 5.*

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Public consultation on 4160 Sherbrooke (see story April 9, p. 1). City hall. 7 pm.

MONDAY, APRIL 29

First of a series of sports nutrition sessions by Eat This for Performance. Free. Café Mouton Noir, Westmount recreation centre. Register at et4p.com/reserve. 7 pm.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

Public consultation on 500 Claremont (see story April 9, p. 1). City hall. 7 pm.

People's Party comes to Westmount, 2019 campaign starts

Maxime Bernier's People's Party of Canada has obtained recognition from Elections Canada in NDG-Westmount, the local riding association announced April 11.

The association has over 100 founding members, according to its release, and is seeking candidates who are "willing to defend the PPC's values."

Its president, André Valiquette, said that, "Maxime Bernier is the only credible

leader when it comes to lowering all taxes, including income taxes and capital gains taxes, because he has clearly stated where cuts will be made. He's the only one in favour of the idea of small government. Privatizing Canada Post and the country's airports is also on the agenda, as is ending corporate welfare." This press release is the first one that the *Independent* has received regarding the 2019 federal election.

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