

City preps for winter! Council seeks more snow removal trucks

Residents would pay more for safer sidewalks: straw poll by lobby group

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

In the heat of a summer evening, snow removal and sidewalk cleaning were raised at the August 5 council meeting when three city contracts were issued and a resident asked for sidewalks to be kept just as clean as adjacent streets.

Councillor Philip Cutler led off the discussion by announcing the city had held a post-mortem with Public Works on last winter and would be getting a jump on the season by awarding a contract seeking more trucks, which had become hard to obtain when needed last year.

“Snow removal is very complex,” he said. “We are upping the number of trucks from 34 to 40, which depends on the number of hours involved. I’m happy with this. It’s a step in the right direction.”

Citing last winter’s “exceptional” weather conditions, Dan Lambert, president of the Association of Pedestrians and Cyclists, said: “Last winter, the sidewalks were very icy,” forcing some residents with the option to simply stay home. As a result, “will the city consider a test project to keep the sidewalks as clean as adjacent streets?”

Because of this, he said the association had put two questions to 40 residents: “Do you think sidewalks should be as clean as the adjacent streets?” to which 100 percent said yes. “Are you prepared to pay higher taxes for that service?” This time, 80 percent said yes.

Lambert suggested the city carry out a pilot test along 10-20 percent of sidewalks to determine how to keep them as clean the adjacent roads.

“We will look at different staffing issues and discuss this with Public Works,” Cutler replied.

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► Many Lime e-scooters have appeared around Westmount recently, including on August 13 near Victoria Hall. Reports have mentioned young people leaving them scattered around for old folks to stumble over. Well, it could have been the opposite here: 96-year-old Doris Tooby, a Manoir Westmount resident, couldn’t resist trying one on for size. “It looks pretty scary,” said Tooby, who was concerned she could be arrested for not wearing a helmet. In the end, she did not take one out for a ride.

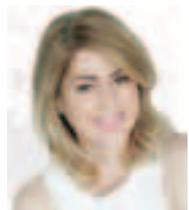
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Hearing set for 62 Belvedere Rd. Demo proposed to enhance neighbouring property

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

A demolition hearing is to take place September 15 for an unoccupied Category II-rated house at 62 Belvedere Rd.

Tearing down the 1963 single-family dwelling is requested to enlarge and enhance the imposing Category I property at 55 Belvedere Place by landscaping the area, facilitating access and creating a circular

drop-off area, according to the demolition file at city hall.

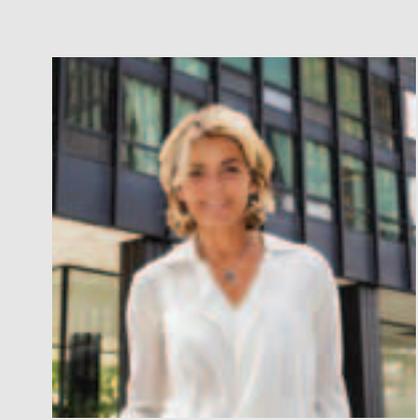
The resulting amalgamation of the two lots is also reported to “contribute to a partial reinstatement” of the Noah Timmins estate that had been subdivided in 1961. This is one of the reasons cited for a demolition recommendation by the city’s Planning Advisory Committee *continued on p. 5*




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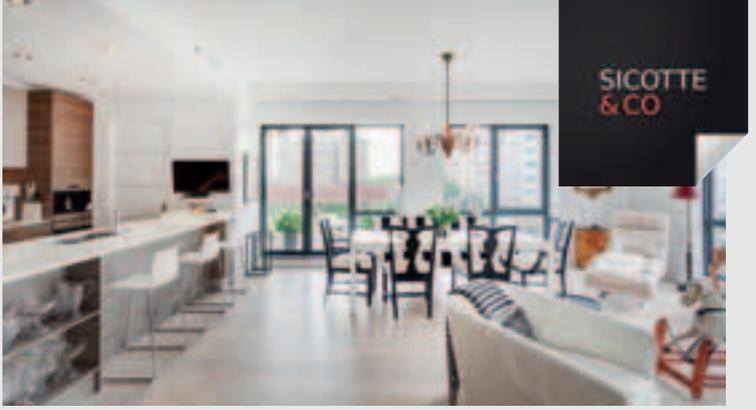


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Properties approved for sale for unpaid taxes in 2018

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

A total of 36 properties were approved by city council August 5 for sale by auction September 25 for non-payment of 2018 municipal taxes. The total was \$508,746 at that date.

"It's straight forward," said Councillor Jeff Shamie in moving the motion for the vote. "I hope everyone reads the list," which was available to those attending the meeting.

By August 16, however, 16 addresses had been struck off the list as having paid up, according to assistant city clerk Andrew Bownstein.

Some unpaid amounts were relatively small, typically representing part of the penalty or interest the taxpayer may not have known had accrued. They have the right to settle the bill right up to the time of sale. Even after a property is "sold," it can be bought back with all accrued amounts owing within a year.

One, the three-storey commercial building at 4024-4032 St. Catherine St., accounted for fully 22 percent (\$111,992) of the total of \$508,746. The top two vacant floors, once occupied by Packard and, more recently, Subaru, are shrouded by protective screening after pieces of the façade fell (see story January 22, 2019, p. 4). There are still retailers at ground level.

The public auction takes place in accordance with the Cities and Towns Act (CQLR, Chapter C-19) on Wednesday, September 25 at 10 am at city hall.

4024-32 St. Catherine St. on August 16.

PHOTO: INDEPENDENT.



The following properties are those listed by address and amounts, rounded off.

Listed as at August 16

ADDRESS	AMOUNT AS AT AUG. 5
4760 The Boulevard	\$17,467
1 Claremont	\$259
79 Chesterfield	\$9,109
390 Prince Albert	\$7,574
463-465 Victoria	\$3,334
319 Prince Albert	\$8,485
200 Edgell	\$1,008
628 Murray Hill	\$1,680
For den Ave. lot	\$11,731
3641 The Boulevard	\$216
9 Hudson	\$11,809
14 Hudson	\$17,358
4410 Côte des Neiges, #402	\$1,743
10 Sunnyside	\$11,030
4547 Sherbrooke	\$28,449
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Remembering Helen Rainville (1956-2019)

Lansdowne resident Helen Rainville died July 8 of endometrial and colon cancer.

She was well known in Westmount as a musician and community volunteer. On p. 1 of the December 14, 2016 *Independent*, she is pictured playing piano at the city's carolling event and was the subject of a profile in the December 5, 2007 edition, which focussed on her then-recent adoption of the harp.

"I only took up the harp four years ago," she told reporter Lauren Sweeney. "It's been quite a challenge."

At the time of the interview, she had just retired as organist of St. Malachy's Catholic church in Snowdon after 22 years.

Since her 1994 move to Westmount, she has been a member of the city's Community Events Advisory Committee, Friends of the Library and the Westmount Quilters' Guild, as well as a treasurer of the Westmount Municipal Association (WMA).



Helen Rainville at home with her two harps in 2007.
PHOTO: LAUREEN SWEENEY.

She is survived by her husband Henry Olders, brother Michel, four stepchildren and eight grandchildren.
Olders told the *Indepen-* continued on p. 18

Rosen's last sculpture unveiled in Hampstead

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

Having left behind a legacy of sculpted

art that decorates several Montreal neighbourhoods, Westmount dentist Harry Rosen's last work is a highly personal one.

Rosen, who passed away in November last year, was familiar to many generations of Montrealers through his dental practice. However, another side of him was creative.

Over the years, he produced many unique sculptures, some of which can be seen today in Westmount, including outside the YMCA on Sherbrooke St. as well as at the Dawson College campus.

His 18th and final work, which Rosen had appropriately called "Self Portrait," was unveiled in Ellerdale Park in the town of Hampstead on August 15. His widow, Delores Rosen, who is still a Westmount resident, was on hand for the ceremony, as was another West-
mounter, his long- continued on p. 4



Harry Rosen's widow, Delores (left) and his longtime assistant Sherry Goldstein are seen here on August 15 seated in front of his 18th and last sculpture, appropriately called "Self Portrait."



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In Westmount Park this Friday

Family campout combined with movie night Aug. 23

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The city's overnight "Westmount Park Family Campout" that has previously taken place every other year over the Canada Day weekend is being combined this year with "Movie under the Stars" Friday, August 23.

Westmount Scouts, who also traditionally camp out in the park and have made Saturday morning breakfast at the family event, have been asking the city for permission for this year. It is now a "go."

Anyone wanting to camp out is required to register at the Community Events office in Victoria Hall at a cost of \$15 (514.989.5226) and supply their own tent. The evening includes activities, a barbecue and the Saturday breakfast. A deadline for registration of Wednesday, August 21 could be extended, space permitting, according to the office. While the campout takes place rain or shine, the movie will be postponed by rain. Fourteen families had registered by last week.

"We have space for 50 tents," said Councillor Mary Gallery, commissioner for library, sports and recreation "We're thrilled to be partnering with the Scouts."

The breakfast is scheduled for 7:30 to 9

am and is open to all at a cost of \$2 for non-campers.

Scouts are organizing their own participation.

Families attending the movie are asked to bring their own chairs and blankets at dusk for the outdoor screening of *How to Train Your Dragon 3*. This is being organized by the children's department of the Westmount Public Library (514.989.5229).

Volunteer offer

When the program for Canada Day activities plans was announced at the city

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time assistant Sherry Goldstein.

"It's really a self-portrait of him and he considered it his best," Dolores Rosen said in an interview with the *Independent*, noting that he included stone and metal pieces from their country home in the Laurentians where he first started sculpting.

According to Hampstead mayor William Steinberg, Rosen asked a few weeks before he died to be brought out to the exact location where the sculpture would be installed. "It is an honour for Hampstead to be the home of his final work of

council meeting June 3 without mention of the campout, a resident had asked about its absence and was told by Mayor Christina Smith that the city had decided to postpone it until "sometime in August" because volunteers could not be found to organize it.

"No one asked me," the resident said, immediately offering to get a volunteer group together. Mayor Smith told him the city was in discussion with the Scouts.

The campout was initiated in 1999 as part of the city's 125th anniversary celebrations.

art," he said.

"This piece is full of firsts," said Sherry Goldstein. "For the first time Harry used mixed media in his work. And not just any mix of media, but bronze together with the actual stone and the actual metal he used to jerry-rig a pulley system at the country house.

"This was the first time that he created a piece with a human form so close to his own - one that would represent him so very personally," she added. "This sculpture brings Harry's and my journey to a close."

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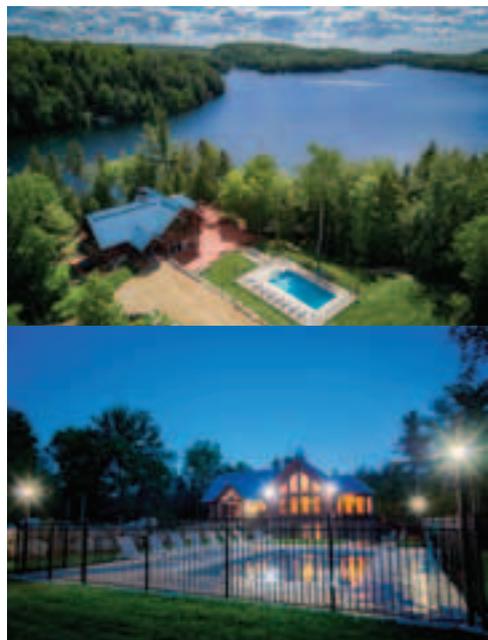
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An aerial view of the juxtaposition of 62 Belvedere to 55 Belvedere Place from the demolition plan on the city's website.

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At the time of the subdivision, the estate's monumental stone mansion had been separated into the two stately stone ones now numbered 65 and 55 Belvedere Place. These are just south and east of Summit lookout.

The subdivision also created the lot on which 62 Belvedere Rd. was built by Henri Moquette. Its owner is listed as 9184-1413 Quebec Inc., which also owns 55 Belvedere Place, where André Desmarais is listed as living by Lovell's directory and Canada 411.

Family loss

News of the demolition request was met with dismay by Gabrielle Pilot, of Willow Ave., who lived at the house after it was built by her father. "He had bought the lot and designed every inch of the house," she

The two-storey home of stone and stucco was built in mansard style and underwent major renovations in the 1980s. The architectural firm of Lafontaine and Soucy described it as "relatively modest compared to its neighbours."

It is almost hidden at the top of a long uphill driveway from Belvedere Rd. tucked up behind number 64, the house where Brian Mulroney and his family lived before his eventual election as prime minister in 1984.

When the house was visited by the *In-dependent* last week, a work permit was fastened to the front door allowing for "interior renovations." It was, however, described in the demolition application as having been unoccupied for an unknown amount of time and "scarcely" heated. The grounds appeared well maintained.



▶ A photo of 55 Belvedere Place, beneficiary of the demolition, on August 13.

Request to demolish family home 'heartbreaking' for Gabrielle Pilot

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The recent recommendation to tear down the house at 62 Belvedere Rd. is "heartbreaking," in the words of Gabrielle Pilot, a well-known community volunteer and resident of Willow Ave. It had been built on vacant land by her father, Henri Ernest Moquette.

For the second time in just over a year, she has been hit with what appears to be the potential loss of another cherished home in her family – all to do with requests for demolition.

62 Belvedere "was where we lived and where we held our wedding reception," she said. "I can still hear the clip-clop of the horses' hooves going down the driveway as we left in a *calèche* on our honeymoon."

The emotional loss was compounded by what she had experienced last year over the partial demolition of the Category II house at 51 Delavigne. This is where her father-in-law, renowned painter Robert Wakeham Pilot, had lived. The work was undertaken to enlarge it, wiping out much of a garden she had loved and tended for him (see story May 15, 2018, p. 18).

She said she was especially upset that demolition of the house at 62 Belvedere was proposed not only to enhance the landscaping of the adjacent Category I house but also to extend a driveway and create a drop-off area.

She recalled the day her family disembarked from their ocean voyage to Canada from Holland where she had spent three years in school and were taken to their new home at 6 Sunnyside by their father. This is where they lived until he bought the vacant lot for building their new house at 62 Belvedere, where she lived until her marriage.

But despite her heartbreak, she said she has no plans to register official opposition to the demolition that has been recommended by the city's Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) and whose hearing is set for September 15 at 5:35 pm.

Interestingly it was at two demolition hearings for 51 Delavigne that Caroline Breslaw, president of the Westmount Historical Association, had called for a moratorium on demolishing Category II houses, saying that to approve that one would be "a slippery slope" for others (see stories May 15, 2018, p. 9 and June 26, 2018, p. 7).



A close-up of 62 Belvedere (above). It has a long uphill driveway and is almost hidden from the street (right). Both photos were taken on August 13.

said (see separate story at right).

Though her father and his wife, Rosalind Cosgrave, were reported to have hired the architectural firm of Shenkman and Hersen, he had had a big hand in its design, she said, and the house is where they had lived with their two daughters and two sons.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MOTORISTS, HEAL THYSELVES

Motorists who demand improved behaviour from cyclists should apply this instruction to themselves. With their greater speed and weight, cars dominate the road and too often their owners abuse this privilege.

Last March, a motorist, travelling at speed, attempted to get ahead of traffic by using the bike lane to do so. She hit and badly injured my son, a cyclist, who is still not back at work. It has been a painful journey. As far as I know, the motorist has suffered no penalty.

ELIZABETH QUANCE, SHERBROOKE ST.

WHAT'S UP FOR WESTMOUNT PARK?

Westmount residents are eagerly awaiting Councillor Lulham's promised column in the *Westmount Independent* outlining the path forward in the proposed restoration of Westmount Park. Councillor Lulham committed to this in council several months ago. We have yet to see the column. Residents remain perplexed with the process, including the role of Stantec, an engineering firm with a contract from the city. Why wouldn't it be a good idea if residents were informed? It's our park and we are paying for it.

DENIS BIRO, BURTON AVE.

REMOVE THE 'PUBLIC' (AND 'PRIVATE') RAGWEED, PLEASE

I was recently surprised to observe abundant quantities of ragweed in the area of Westmount summit, which had been so

skillfully landscaped by our city.

As an allergic person, I had to wonder if city By-law 1485, section 4.1.5, forbidding ragweed and other harmful weeds to grow on one's property is not still in effect.

If this by-law is still in effect, I would hope, at the very least, that the city itself see clear to remove this potent allergen from its properties in a timely manner, as ragweed season is nearly upon us.

Proper enforcement of said by-law regarding private properties would obviously be the next step.

RICHARD DABRUSIN, MD,
WESTMOUNT SQUARE

LET'S TALK BRANDING

Please find some personal comments on the branding situation in Victoria village.

As you may know, there is now an official Victoria Village Merchants Association. With the help of the city of Westmount, the merchants were coached by a professional consultant on how to set up such a non-profit group.

Following its founding, grants were made available to hire a firm to explore the branding of Victoria village.

In my opinion, whatever branding exercise that we undertake will not eclipse the fact that both Sherbrooke and Victoria are in bad shape.

Twenty-six trees were cut down over the years and never replaced. The flower planters are an eyesore. They are made of recycled material and it shows.

Prince Albert square has two flower beds that are still unplanted. The bus

Editorial

Hong Kong: you have friends

"Can you see that you will always be my friend?"

– Wind In his Hair (Rodney A. Grant) to

Lt. John Dunbar (Kevin Costner) in *Dances with Wolves*

Perhaps oddly for a newspaper editor, I am not overly engaged by world news. If I had to summarize the human species' decision making, it would be something like: "Making the wrong (or evil, or ugly) decision until forced by circumstances to do something else, which often isn't much better." Luckily for me, a lot of the allegedly pressing problems in the West are, in my view, not so urgent. To paraphrase the Austrian proverb, the situation is often hopeless, but rarely serious. As a result, I often try to treat large swathes of news coverage as a TV show that I don't watch, including the many, many follies of Canadian voters and, by extension, many of their politicians (excluding entirely, of course, Westmount city council members).

The situation in other parts of the world is often a lot more serious. Even so, in the case of people struggling against their governments, it is often hard to know what to wish for. Has the Arab Spring helped the average citizen of those countries? How many countries are better off five or 10 years after a coup or revolution?

As a character in the movie *Blood Diamond* succinctly and mordantly put it: "Government bad. Rebels worse."

It is often so in real life, too.

I also have no great connection to Hong Kong. I have never been there. While I have known and met many people of Chinese background, I cannot recall asking, or knowing, if they or their ancestors came from that city.

All that changed when I saw *that ad*. It was a full-page advertisement ("Save Hong Kong at G20") in the *Globe and Mail* of June 27. It took my breath away, and reminded me of a book (that I have not read) about the Rwandan genocide with the poignant, ultra-memorable title: *We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will Be Killed With Our Families*. The ad was a plea to be noticed and for help, if possible in face of the odds.

Unlike military or extremist coups against dictators in very rough countries, it seems easy to know what and whom to root for in this case. Hong Kong's currently separate governmental system is a little bit free and a little bit democratic and not bothering anyone. And the courage and restraint of the protestors has been amazing.

I did not (and do not) know who the advertisers were (or where they were or are), but they had a website and I offered a free page to them in the July 2 *Independent*, which they accepted (see p. 7 of that issue).

The heartfelt thank-yous that we received over email and social media were moving beyond description. They were grateful and gracious and determined, while at the same time (unfortunately) pessimistic. Not knowing who was writing, or from where, I did not reply.

Let me do so now: you are welcome.

Hong Kongers: good luck, but please don't let me encourage you to do this or that thing. I am one person, far away in a country with a small population, and I cannot help you. I know none of the details of your situation. I also cannot endorse everything done by everyone in a movement of a million or more people.

But know this: as long as you are working for your democratic goals in a reasonable manner, I will work, within my own economic constraints, to bring your message to the city of 20,000 people in which I live, far away as it is. If you want to talk to us, I am listening.

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shelters are old and in poor condition. It is my understanding that the city will not allow the Société de transport de Montréal (STM) to install news ones because they would have advertising on them.

The parking meter system is not user friendly, especially at -30°C.

Despite all the marketing efforts, no branding, which seems to be a pet project of the city, will overcome the fact that the village is in terrible shape.

We have been in business on Sherbrooke St. for almost 25 years. We are lucky to benefit from very loyal clients, but we don't feel that we are attracting new customers.

The only "welcoming sign" at the entrance to the city is a one reminding that parking is limited to four hours. Talk about branding!

DENIS D'ETCHEVERRY,
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Sidewalks, cont'd. from p. 1

meeting, council awarded three snow removal tenders.

Three snow contracts awarded

The first was to award to Transvac Montréal-Laval Inc. the contract for the supply of 40 trucks for snow removal operations during the 2019-2020 winter season for a minimum amount of \$380,000 plus taxes and a maximum amount of \$1,148,400 plus taxes for a minimum guarantee of \$9,500 (before taxes) per truck.

This is based on hourly rates fixed by the Ministère des Transports du Québec. Transvac is “the holder of a Transport Brokerage Permit for Bulk Trucking,” Cutler explained.

Council also awarded a contract for removing snow in various parking lots to *Les entreprises Canbec Construction Inc.* This was listed as the lowest conforming bidder of three, for a maximum of \$61,613, including taxes.

Dave's Towing (7795211 Canada Inc.) was also given the contract to remove cars from the street during snow operations at a minimum amount of \$49,670 (150 hours per truck), including taxes, and a maximum amount of \$82,782 (250 hours per truck), including taxes. This was the only



Councillor Phillip Cutler on beefing up snow removal trucks.

bidder listed.

“We try not to tow,” Cutler said. If a car is seen with a Westmount sticker, an effort is made to contact the owner to move the vehicle, he added.



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Instead of listening to its people, the Hong Kong government endorsed by Beijing has resorted to escalating violence to suppress the protests against the extradition bill since June 2019. The use of excessive violence and toxic chemicals to disperse crowds have become the norm. Nearly 2000 canisters of tear gas, many expired, were fired since June and some were fired inside enclosed subway stations and in residential areas. Bean bag rounds and rubber bullets were fired at close range, often aiming at people's heads, which caused serious injuries such as blindness. The police dehumanized protesters by calling them “cockroaches” and brutally attacked protesters, passersby, journalists and medical personnel. Over 700 people have been arrested since June, including arbitrary arrests of passersby as young as 13 years old. These are tactics commonly adopted by totalitarian regimes to silence the opposition by intimidation.

The Hong Kong government is the root cause of this chaos. Hong Kongers will continue to stand firmly by our 5 core demands including :

- Withdraw the extradition bill completely - not simply putting it on pause;
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Hurtubise House opens new exhibit of historic items

By MARTIN C. BARRY

A tour and picnic organized by Canadian Heritage Quebec on August 14 at the historic Hurtubise House on Côte St. Antoine Rd. offered a rare glimpse of some his-

toric artifacts that have been kept out of sight for years.

For the past two years, Canadian Heritage (which owns the house) has been offering tours three days a week during the summer. Built in 1739, Hurtubise House



Visitors and the exterior of the house on August 14.



Among the Westmounters visiting Hurtubise House on August 14 for the opening of the new exhibit (seen behind them) were, from left, Bruce Anderson, Edith Paton and Patricia Davey.

is the oldest building in Westmount.

Six generations of the Hurtubise family lived there until the mid-1950s when members of the Molson family and others acquired the house and founded Canadian Heritage of Quebec (CHQ).

The artifacts, which include 18th century muskets as well as farm implements, pieces of kitchen crockery and old tobacco pipes from the same era, were previously kept in the barn and house.

While some were found on the Hurtubise property, others came from other CHQ historical sites all over Quebec, according to Association des Moulins du Québec vice-president Guy Bessette.

Bessette set up the temporary mini-museum, which will be open to the public until Thanksgiving in mid-October. "We will be putting everything away for the winter and next year we want to do it again," he said.

Among those who came out last week

to enjoy the picnic and see the new exhibit were several Westmounters, including Edith Paton and Patricia Davey of Windsor Ave.

In an interview with the *Independent*, Paton recalled the first time she visited Hurtubise House during the 1950s and met a Westmounter who became a key player in saving the house.

"The first visit I made was with Alice Lighthall," she said. "She was a slight, little lady and she took me down a steep staircase to the basement where it was very dark, and turned on the light so we could see the big tree trunks that were supporting the house."

An early heritage activist, Lighthall was one of the founders of the Westmount Historical Association. During the 1940s and 1950s when rumours were circulating that Hurtubise House would be demolished, she helped organize resistance, which ultimately saved the building.

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Potrykus resurrected event in 2009

‘Words and Music’ in Westmount Park turns 10

BY HEATHER BLACK

Words and Music 2019 took place under the awning at Willow Point in Westmount Park on August 11. Attended by over a hundred people, performances of original works included socio-political commentary and fantasy-literature put to song. Organized by Lansdowne Ave. resident Wanda Potrykus, this was the sixth and final performance of Community Events’ Sunday



Wanda Potrykus introduces performer Shams Al Habib

summer concerts for this year.

Well known to the audience, Westmounter Ann Gamsa read a personal poem on family. Actor Anne Stratford, of *Dramatis Personae*, and Deanna Radford, former curator of the Atwater Poetry Project, both performed. Songs by Marie-Josée Tremblay remembered Canada’s missing or murdered indigenous women. Claremont Ave. resident and writer Michelle Franklin and musician Noah Tolhurst of the Frewyn Music Project delighted the audience with songs of mythical tales.

The event also marked a collaboration with the poetry group Lawn Chair Soiree, organized by Jan Jorgensen and Brian Campbell. A singer-songwriter, Campbell also performed on guitar. Other Montreal composers included Shams Al Habib, who sang original Sufi songs accompanied on drum by Rabeb Khelifi. Dynamic recitations by rebel or “outlaw poet” Devon Gallant and socio-political poet

Brandon Pitts were also crowd pleasers.

This was Potrykus’ 10th consecutive year as the event organizer and MC. A poet herself, she attended Poetry in the Park organized by George Bowser, Jack Locke and John Fretz in the early 2000s. After a hiatus of several years, in 2009 Potrykus was encouraged by Community Events to revive Poetry in the Park. “We first kept the original name,” she explained, “but as the event always featured music and the spoken word, the title Words and Music was more welcoming.”

Performances are frequently accompanied by a variety of musical instruments from guitar, violin or hammered dulcimer, to tin whistle or drum. “My goal is to make poetry more accessible to the general public and words put to song does that,” Potrykus said. In recent years, invited guests have included an Inuk throat singer, as well as rap, Caribbean, Middle Eastern and south Asian performers. She continued, “The event is a wonderful example of Quebec multiculturalism and talent in action.”

Potrykus dedicated Words and Music 2019 to Hannah Tooktoo and read her own tribute, “Hannah Journeys.” A visual-arts student at Dawson College, Tooktoo re-



Performers Michelle Franklin and Noah Tolhurst of the Frewyn Music Project with Wanda Potrykus, seated.

cently completed an eight-week bicycle trip from British Columbia to Cabot Square to raise funds for a mental-health facility following four suicides in Kuujjuaq. “I was so moved by her story, I thought Westmounters should know of her courage,” Potrykus said. The final performance of Westmount’s Summer Concerts 2019, the event was opened and closed by Ashley Baker of Community Events.



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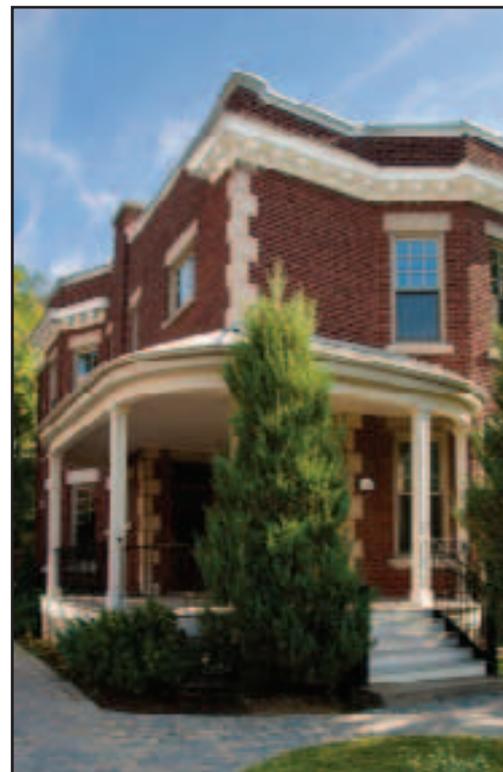
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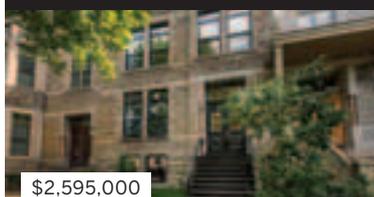


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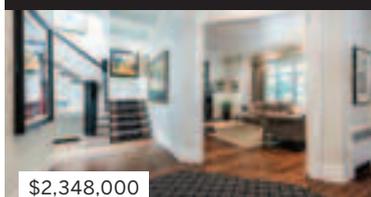


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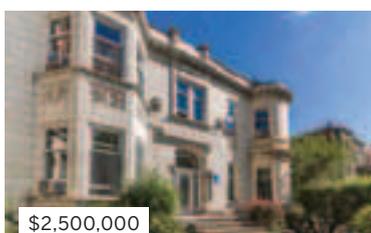
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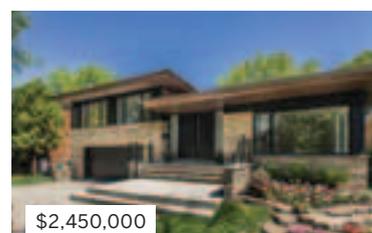
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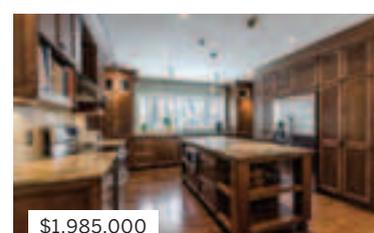
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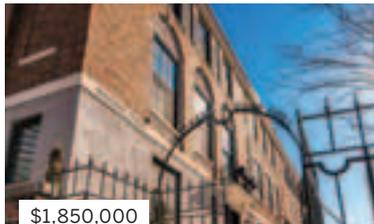
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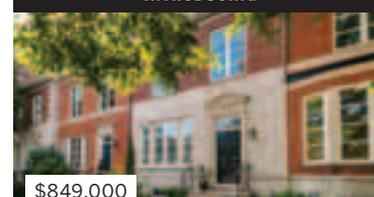


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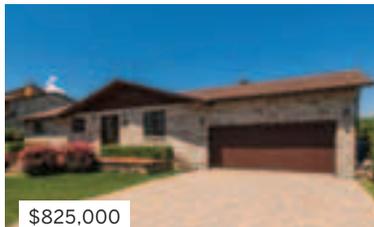
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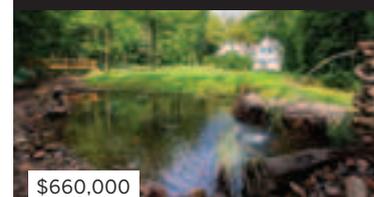
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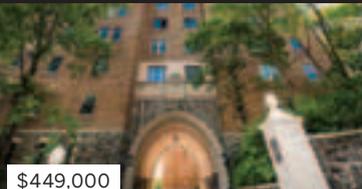
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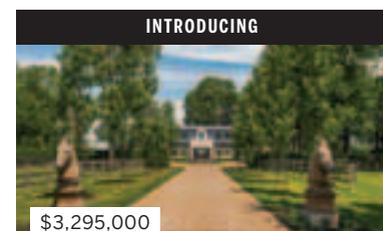
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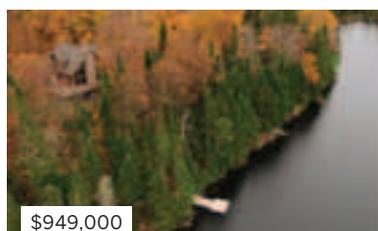
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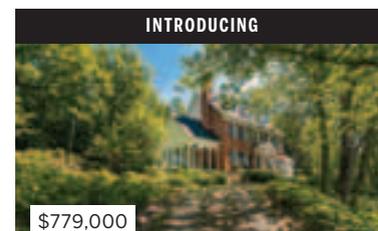
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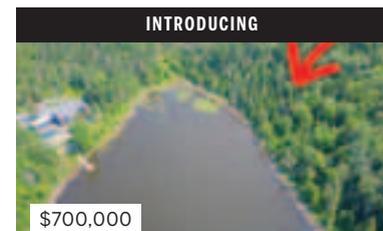


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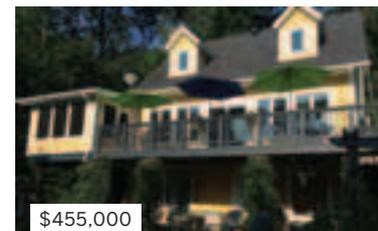
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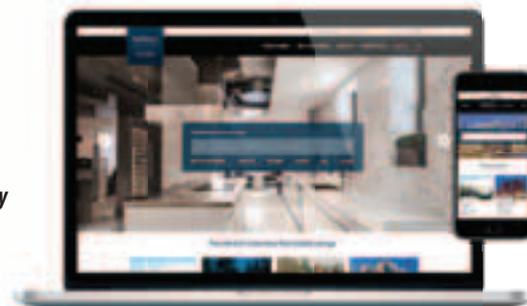
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July sales: Taking the summer off

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Five Westmount condominium sales were recorded in July in a very tight range of prices between \$550,000 and \$699,000, with an average mark-up over valuation of 29.5 percent, about the same as the 31.4 percent mark-up in 18 sales during the second quarter of 2019. Though none of the July sales was more than \$1 million, the “typical” Westmount condo with a valuation of about \$843,100 now would sell for more than \$1.1 million.

Westmount adjacent

Another six single-family sales were posted in July in adjacent-Westmount areas, including three to the north of the city limits (south of Queen Mary Rd.), two in the Trafalgar-Daulac area just east of the city limits and one in the Square Mile, on Redpath St.

Strangely, no sales were reported in July in eastern NDG, though the district reports 22 sales so far this year on Grey, Vendôme, Marlowe and Northcliffe avenues and Côte St. Antoine Rd., double the volume for southern Côte des Neiges. In all the adjacent-Westmount districts, the average mark-up for the year ranges between 32 and 37 percent, about the same as Westmount’s overall annual statistic (37.3 percent).

119 listings in Westmount

As of mid-August, the number of available listings for Westmount homes has increased by two to 119, though the number asking between \$1 million and \$2 million is down by seven, while most of the new listings coming on the market now are asking between \$2 million and \$4 million. Two more houses were rented in the previous month, while the number available remains at 27, a figure which has fluctuated between 20 and 30 over the past three years.

Note: The following article relates to offers to purchase Westmount residential dwellings that were reported by local real estate agents as having been accepted in July 2019. Because they are not final registered sales, the addresses cannot be made public, but give a good idea of current trends in local real estate activity. The graph at right offers a picture of these trends over time.

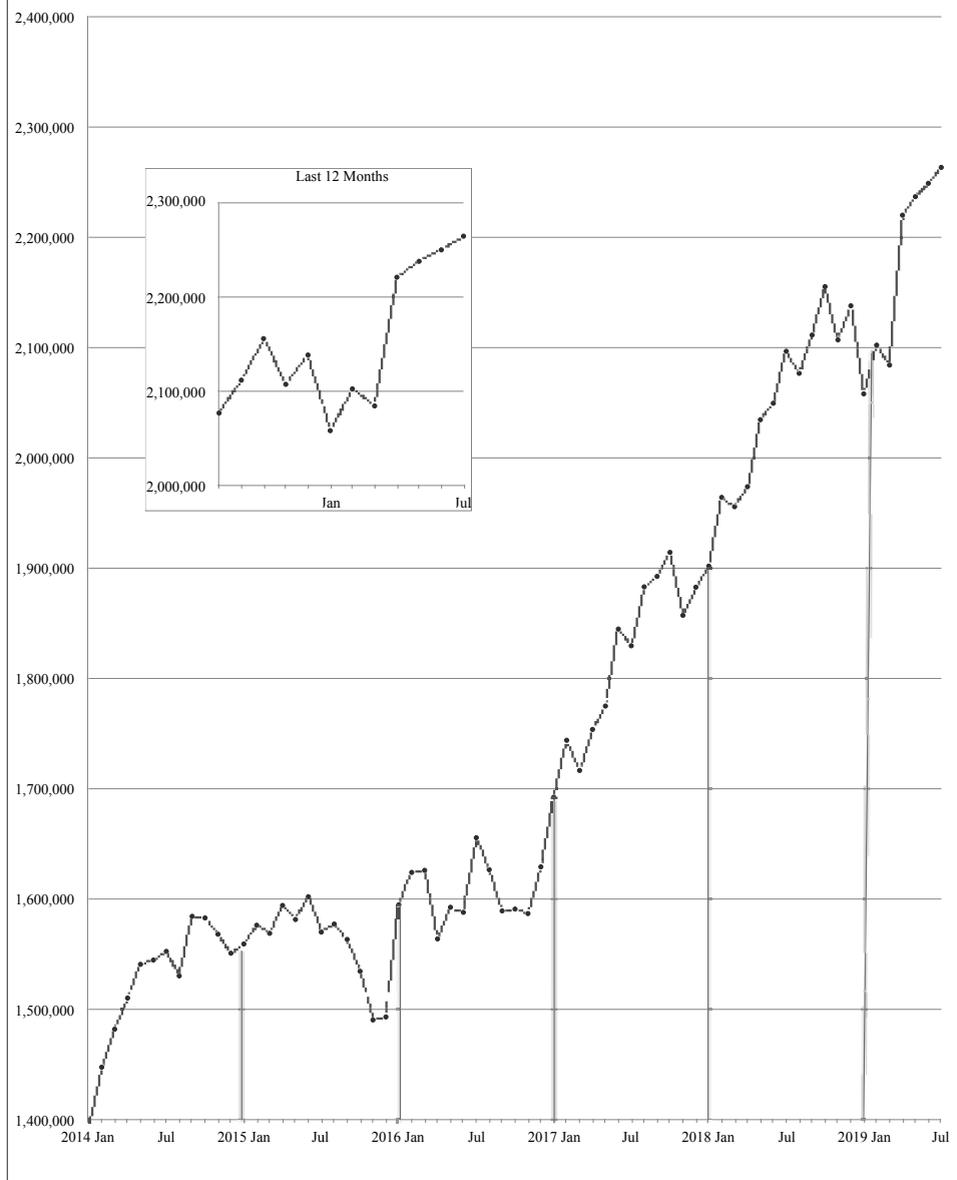
Only three one- or two-family dwellings were posted by local agents as selling in the month of July, normally one of the slowest months of the year, but this is a record low volume for the month. Prices ranged between \$1,190,000 and \$1,840,000 and mark-ups over valuation ranged between 36 and 67 percent, but the volume is so small as to make the individual statistics meaningless.

Summer vacation?

We would expect that some agents have also taken the summer off and will post sales reports on their return to the city; at the same time that only three sales were reported for July, another three were added to the June sales list, bringing the total for that month to an even dozen.

And while the paltry volume makes the trends less reliable, the sales statistics continue a surge that started in March, with the average mark-up rising from 20 percent in February to 55 percent in July. The average number of days to sell has dropped to only 22 compared to 129 days in February, five of 15 sales in June and July have been double-ended by the listing agent (i.e. who also became the selling agent), and four of the 15 went for more than the asking price, while another six were within 95 percent of the asking price.

Average adjusted price for ‘typical’ Westmount house, by month, January 2014 to July 2019, based on accepted offer dates



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Update on the SPCA emergency kitten campaign

Great news from the SPCA's Emergency Kitten Campaign, through which donations have made it possible for the Neonatal Program group to purchase two new incubators for orphaned kittens, as presented in this photograph. To continue with more contributions to the Newborn Kitten Kits (each kit with kitten milk replacer and care supplies for three kittens) as support to their Kitten Foster Program, please drop by Little Bear Pet Supplies at 4152 St. Catherine St., corner Greene Ave., to participate in the Cat Gift Basket and Dog Gift Basket raffles. Each \$5 ticket for the large gift baskets is entirely donated to the Kitten



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4898 de Maisonneuve: to redevelop the existing site including construction of a new 3-storey two-family building at the east end of the lot and conversion of the existing 3-storey building into 3 adjacent two-family units; the conversion project submitted with an exception to the siting in the front uncovered space on both Prince Albert and de Maisonneuve for the encroachment of entrance staircases and the oriels, as permitted in article 5.2.4 of the zoning by-law with approval from council.

The Planning Advisory Committee favourably recommended to council to ap-

prove the application provided that on the converted building, the extension housing exit stairs and loggias have a crowning in brick, that there must not be any mechanical equipment or penthouse on the roof and that the sill of the 3rd floor bay windows must align with the sill of the punched-opening windows and that the cadastral operations to subdivide the existing lot into 4 lots be carried out in conformity to subdivision by-law 1301. (See story August 6, p. 1.)

4574 Sherbrooke: in the proximity of Westmount Public Library, a Category I* building, to install three flag masts;

1200 Atwater: at the Atwater Library, a Category I building, to replace a window by a door on the private lane at the west side for universal access and to build an access ramp;

4699 Westmount Ave.: at Roslyn School, a Category 1 building, to replace the roof

in asphalt shingles and install gutters and snow stops;

14 Renfrew: to replace windows and make an opening on the rear façade;

3217 The Boulevard: to do landscaping in the front and side yards, including the construction *continued on p. 18*

BUILDING PERMITS 🏠 What's permitted

Council approves 18 building permits August 5, refuses 2

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BIBLIOTHÈQUE

Club de lecture d'été TD 2019

Jusqu'au 31 août, Bibliothèque. Demandez votre trousse du club de lecture d'été au comptoir des enfants. westlib.org.

StoryWalk® au parc Westmount

Prolongé jusqu'au 30 septembre. Comment attraper un ours qui aime lire d'Andrew Katz et Juliana Léveillé-Trudel. Partagez vos photos en utilisant le mot-clic #BPWStorywalk.

Film sous les étoiles

Le vendredi 23 août à la tombée du jour, parc Westmount. Projection du film *How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World* (2019). Apportez vos chaises et couvertures. En anglais. Gratuit.

Camping familial au parc Westmount

Du vendredi 23 août au samedi 24 août, parc Westmount. Apportez votre tente et passez la nuit au parc. BBQ, activités, et petit déjeuner. Organisé avec Les Scouts de Westmount. Inscription requise. Places limitées. 15 \$ par famille. 514 989-5226.

Club de films documentaires

Le mercredi 4 septembre, 19 h, Bibliothèque. *The Biggest Little Farm* (2018). Billets requis. 514 989-5299.

Club de lecture d'été TD : fête de clôture

Le samedi 7 septembre, 14 h, Victoria Hall. Avec Rag & Bone puppet theatre. Prix à gagner, rafraîchissements et divertissements! Les membres du Club peuvent obtenir leurs billets au comptoir des enfants de la Bibliothèque.

Club de tricot

Le lundi 9 septembre, 16 h, Bibliothèque. Un animateur guidera les membres du club à travers différents projets de tricot et de crochet. Les participants de tous les niveaux et tous les âges sont les bienvenus. Inscription requise. 514 989-5530.

Prochaine séance du conseil
le mardi 3 septembre

ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES

Galerie du Victoria Hall : Exposition

Du 5 au 28 septembre. La Galerie est fière de présenter des œuvres de **Maxine Cuttler**. Vernissage le mercredi 4 septembre, 18 h à 20 h. 514 989-5265.

Soirée astronomie au Belvédère

Le samedi 7 septembre, 19 h 30, Belvédère Summit. Joignez-vous aux membres de la Société royale d'astronomie du Canada pour observer le ciel et les étoiles. En cas de pluie ou de conditions nuageuses, l'événement sera annulé. 514 989-5226.

Club de la Galerie d'art

Le mardi 10 septembre, 14 h à 15 h, Galerie du Victoria Hall. Venez faire un tour et prendre le thé en participant à une discussion sur l'exposition en cours. 514 989-5265.

SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE

Trottinettes électriques en libre-service

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Sécurité routière : respectez la signalisation

La Ville de Westmount a installé des panneaux spéciaux de signalisation à certaines intersections afin de rappeler aux automobilistes de respecter la priorité accordée aux piétons et aux cyclistes. Nous rappelons à tous les usagers de la route qu'il est obligatoire de respecter le Code de la route et de conduire de manière sécuritaire, particulièrement en cette période de rentrée scolaire. westmount.org



TRAVAUX PUBLICS

Parc Stayner : fermetures partielles

Du 19 au 23 août et durant le mois de septembre. Une partie du parc Stayner sera fermée pour des travaux d'abattage d'arbres en août et pour l'installation de nouveaux équipements de jeu en septembre. westmount.org.

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LIBRARY

TD Summer Reading Club 2019

Until August 31, Library Ask for your Summer Reading Club kit at the Children's Desk. westlib.org.

StoryWalk® in Westmount Park

Extended to September 30. How to Catch a Bear (not to be read by Andrew Katz and Juliana Léveillé-Trudel). Share your photos with us using the hashtag #WPLStorywalk.



Movie under the stars

Friday, August 23 at dusk, Westmount Park. Bring your lawn chair and blankets and enjoy an outdoor screening of *How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World* (2019). Free.

Westmount Park family campout

Friday August 23 to Saturday, August 24, Westmount Park. Bring your tent and spend the night in the park. BBQ, activities, and breakfast by the Westmount Scouts. Registration required. Spaces are limited. \$15 per family. 514 989-5226.

Documentary Film Club

Wednesday, September 4, 7 p.m., Library. *The Biggest Little Farm* (2018). Tickets required. 514 989-5299.

TD Summer Reading Club closing party

Saturday, September 7, 2 p.m., Victoria Hall. With Rag & Bone puppet theatre's *Out at Home Bethered*. Prizes, entertainment, food! Club members may pick up their freetickets at the Children's desk.

Knitting Club

Monday, September 9, 4 p.m., Library. An animator will guide club members through different knitting and crocheting projects. All levels and ages are welcome. Registration required. 514 989-5530.

Next Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 3

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Gallery at Victoria Hall: Exhibition

September 5 to 28. The Gallery is pleased to feature works by Maxine Cuttler. Vernissage Wednesday, September 4, 6-8 p.m. 514 989-5265.

Stargazing at the Lookout

Saturday, September 7, 7:30 p.m., Summit Lookout. Join members of the Montreal Centre of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada to observe the night skies through their telescopes. The event will be cancelled in the event of rain or poor viewing conditions. 514 989-5226.

Art Gallery Club

Tuesday, September 10, 2-3 p.m., Gallery at Victoria Hall. Drop in for a casual discussion about the current exhibition over a cup of tea. 514 989-5265.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Road safety: obey the signage

The Lime company has launched a fleet of self-serve electric scooters within the territory of Westmount on a pilot project basis. Users of this service must have knowledge of the provincial regulations governing this mode of transport and must respect applicable laws. For questions concerning the use or management of the scooters, contact Lime (li.me).

Road safety: obey the signage

The City of Westmount has installed pedal traffic signs at certain intersections to remind drivers to comply with the Highway Code's priority given to pedestrians and cyclists. We remind all users of the road to make safety a priority and obey the rules of the road, particularly during this back-to-school period. westmount.org.

PUBLIC WORKS

Stayner Park: partial closures

August 19-23 and all of September. A portion of Stayner Park will be closed to carry out tree felling in August, and to install new playground equipment during September. westmount.org.



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Social Notes

VERONICA REDGRAVE

Mulroney honoured at CHUM fundraiser



Back row: Andrew Lapham, Mark Mulroney, Nicolas Mulroney and Ben Mulroney; front: Vanessa Mulroney, Brian Mulroney, Mila Mulroney, Theodora Lapham and Katy Mulroney.

Former prime minister **Brian Mulroney** was honoured at a tribute hosted by sons Mark and Ben. The once-local res attended with his wife **Mila**, radiant in a Matisse blue dress. Other Mulroneys attending were **Nicholas Mulroney**, Mark's wife **Vanessa Mulroney**, and granddaughters **Katy Mulroney** and **Elizabeth Theodora Lapham**, with her father **Andrew Lapham**, married to the Mulroneys' daughter **Caroline**.

The evening was a fundraiser for the CHUM (Centre hospitalier de l'Université de Montréal). Honorary presidents were committee chair **Mark Mulroney** and Westmounters **Stephen Bronfman**, **Paul Desmarais** and **Calin Rovinescu**, there with wife **Elaine Rovinescu**, as well as **Alain Bouchard**, **Pierre Lassonde**, **Pierre Karl Péladeau** and **Michael Sabia**.

Marc Tremblay, board chair Fondation

Robert Trudeau and Elaine Rovinescu.



Pierre Karl Péladeau and Marc Tremblay.



Julie Charette.

CHUM, praised Brian Mulroney, mentioning that \$3.6 million was raised at the event, attended by Montreal's elite from the corporate and cultural communities.

The Fondation plans to name its hepatobiliary and pancreatic care unit in honor of Mulroney, who lauded the unit where he received treatment in 2005.

Not only did the famed Oval Room at the Ritz-Carlton look magnificent, but acclaimed chef **Alain Passard** created a multi-course Epicurean presentation. Owner of L'Arpège, the three-star Michelin restaurant in Paris, Passard worked in collaboration with **Johnny Porte**, executive chef of the Ritz-Carlton Montreal.

Noted attending was local res **Mitch**

Garber, as well as **Robert Trudeau**, **David Rhéault**, **Jean-Guy Desjardins**, **Geneviève Massé**, **Arielle Meloul-Wechsler** and **Arthur Wechsler**, **Isabelle Marcoux**, **Brian Hannasch**, **Dany Beauchemin**, **Charles Émond**, **Brian Porter**, **Julie Veilleux**, and CHUM's **Dr. Fabrice Brunet**, CEO, and **Julie Charette**, Fondation CEO.

Event sponsors were Scotiabank (primary sponsor), along with Air Canada, Couche-Tard, Alvin Segal Family Foundation, National Bank, BMO Financial Group, Bombardier, Cadillac Fairview, CIBC, Claridge, CN, Dream, Garda-World, Bruce Kent Group, IBM, Ivanhoé Cambridge, La Capitale, Pro-
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Correction

In last week's Social Notes coverage of the tribute to Rabbi Lisa Gruschow (p. 17), Rabbi Lerner's wife was incorrectly noted. His wife is Dr. Loren Lerner. Apologies.

Permits, cont'd. from p. 14

(or reconstruction) of stairs, retaining walls, walkways, patio and spa;

21 Thornhill: to replace windows provided the basement window #3 has SDL as per the original window;

130 Irvine: to replace a garage door;

1100 Atwater: at an office building, to install mechanical equipment provided that a new tree is the same species as the one that that will be cut down;

23 Burton: to make a wood terrace on an existing gravel area, build an adjacent fence at the back and west side of the rear yard and add a planting bed;

443 Prince Albert: to install a fence in the rear yard;

3233 The Boulevard: at The Study, to block a window to allow the venting of a mechanical unit;

4827 St. Catherine: at a Category I house, to replace a front door provided it matches the original in character and detail;

729 Upper Roslyn: to replace windows;

544 Claremont: to replace windows and a door on condition they are clad in aluminum and that the door frame is thicker;

4909 Sherbrooke: to replace windows;

100 Sunnyside: to replace stucco with brick on the bay window and to replace windows provided those on the second storey (item G, H and I) are double-hung as per original drawing;

1326 Greene: to replace a sign provided

the red band does not cover over the black vertical column.

Refused

4258 Dorchester: in the context of work deviated from the permit issued on February 19, 2018, to modify the scope of the work by increasing the depth of the ground floor rear balcony by six feet, the Planning Advisory Committee recommended refusing the application because the proposed depth extends the rear balcony beyond the neighbour's rear wall having a negative impact on the neighbour's privacy;

4344 Westmount Ave.: to build a sunroom above the garage because the proposed project does not harmonize with the architecture of the Category II building and does not integrate into the Westmount Ave. streetscape.

Rainville, cont'd. from p. 3

dent by email, "Our children and grandchildren and I will painfully miss a kind and sweet and beautiful person, someone who always saw the best in others, someone who strove to make the world a better place by giving freely of her talents, especially her gift of song, the 'voice of an angel.'

"But Helen will not be lost to us. We will always carry her in our hearts, as Helen carried in her heart an unshakeable faith that she will always be there for us, accompanying and guiding us in our life journeys. Thank you, my dearest love, for bringing such joy into my life!"

The funeral took place on July 13 at Kane Fetterly.

Comin' Up**FRIDAY, AUGUST 23**

► Westmount Park campout (rain or shine), organized by the city of Westmount. Westmount Park. 10:30 pm.

► Victoria Village Sidewalk Sale. *Continues until Sunday, August 25.*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Rabbi Allan Nadler, professor of Jewish studies and former rabbi at the Shaar. "Alabama's Abortion Ban or Quebec's Bill 21? Why a Strictly Secular State is Safer." \$5. Registration required 514.937.9474 x 139. Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 425 Metcalfe Ave. 12 noon.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

"Women Wood Steel," by sculptor Anne Devautour. Westmount Park United Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve. Vernissage: 7 pm; exhibition: 10 am to 6 pm daily. *Continues until Friday, September 6.*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

City council meeting. City hall. 7:30 pm.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Susan Doherty discusses her book *The Ghost Garden: Inside the lives of schizophrenia's feared and forgotten*. Free. Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. 12:30 to 1:30 pm.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Hands-on workshop on "Protecting Yourself Online" by Liz Perrin. Free, but

advance registration required: Richard Cassidy: 514.935.7344 or richard@atwater.library.ca. Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. 1 to 3 pm.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Richard Goldman, lawyer and legal plain language specialist with Éducaloi, conducts an information session on powers of attorney and protection mandates. Free. Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. 1 to 3 pm.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Antique fair contributing to the Stephen Lewis Foundation's support of grandmothers in Africa raising grandchildren orphaned by AIDS. \$10. Westmount Park United Church. 10 am to 4 pm.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

The Westmount Historical Association presents "Joan Rothman on Supporting Protestant Public Schools." Speaker Claire Holden Rothman will talk about her mother Joan Rothman's life and accomplishments. Joan Rothman pushed for the first French immersion programme in Quebec and went on to serve as a school commissioner for decades in the Protestant school board, as well as sitting as a member of Westmount city council. \$5. Westmount Room, Westmount Public Library. 7 to 9 pm.

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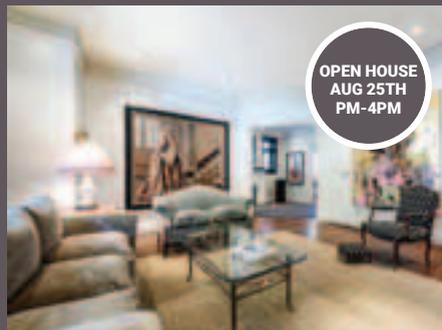
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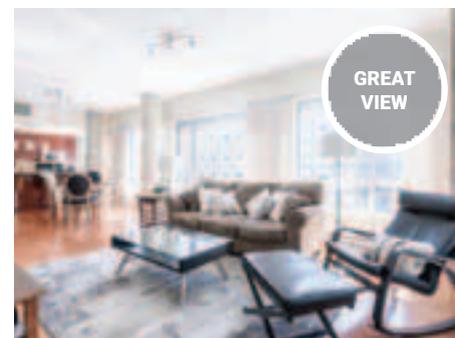
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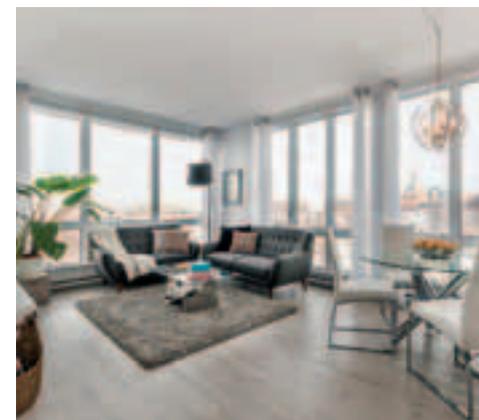
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