

## Exploring Bixis and improvements to de Maisonneuve path

# Bike link to Lachine canal targeted for Aug.

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Talks are underway in Westmount on several fronts concerning bicycle issues that include the future of the de Maisonneuve bike path, possible installation of a Bixi station and Montreal’s plan to run a bike route along Lansdowne and Glen Rd.

In the wake of a unilateral announcement by Montreal a month ago, Westmount director general Duncan Campbell said that details of the proposal have now been revealed designating a bicycle lane along each side of Lansdowne and

Glen Rd. for travel in the same direction as traffic.

The lanes would run between parked cars and general traffic to connect north-south with existing bike paths on de Maisonneuve and the Lachine canal (see story May 11, p. 2).

“Montreal wants it ready in August,” Campbell told the *Independent*. Because the bicycle network falls under agglomeration responsibility, the work would be carried out by Westmount but paid for by the aggro.

Not being a partitioned-off bike path, the project could be up and

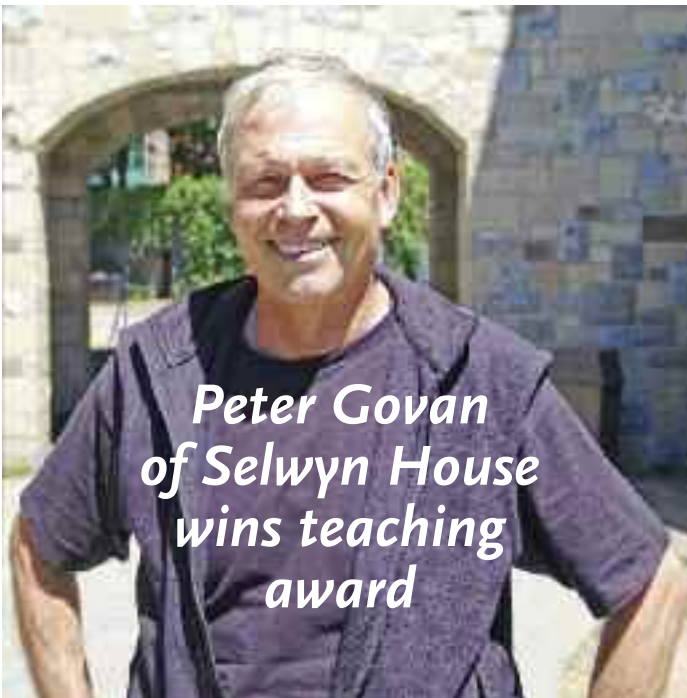
running relatively quickly with little investment other than line painting and signage, Campbell pointed out.

Before that could happen, however, residents of Lansdowne would have to be consulted and by-law changes enacted by city council, he added.

### Arena work considered

Campbell said he was generally favourable to recommending the proposal to council, though something would have to be worked out during construction of the arena project when .....

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Peter Govan of Selwyn House wins teaching award

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## April crime and police statistics

# Graffiti, hit-and-runs up with increased reporting

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

With the number of graffiti, hit-and-run and burglary cases in Westmount doubling in April over the month before, police attribute the increases to a greater awareness in reporting and to one person believed to be responsible for the rise in the break-and-enter incidents. This suspect was arrested on May 3.

Robberies also doubled to four but were relatively low.

“I have asked our officers to keep a special eye out for new incidents of graffiti,” said Station 12 commander Stéphane Plourde. “If you close your eyes,” he added, “there are zero graffitis!”

The station has also been focusing on improving conduct on the de Maisonneuve bike path through April and May. It also was involved in night-time security after six Canadiens’ playoff hockey games, as well as at a demonstration outside Premier Jean Charest’s home on Victoria Ave. May 16.

And with the number of hit-and-run reports up from 19 to 32, Plourde believes the increase to be related to the good weather. “People are suddenly noticing bumps in their cars and reporting them.”

In any event, he assured the *Independent* the latest statistics do not represent a rash of increases in ei- .....

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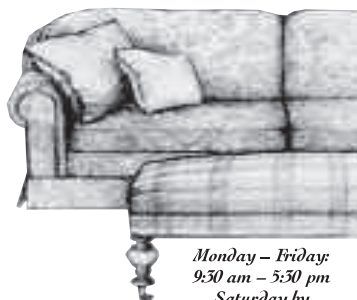
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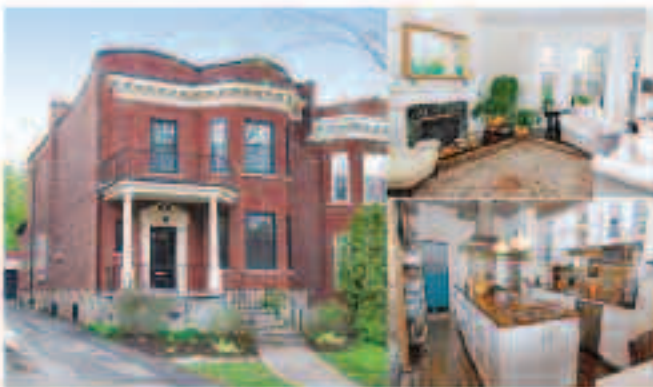
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# Contactivity Centre planning for the future

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

The Contactivity Centre, which is dedicated to the interests of senior citizens from Westmount and the surrounding area, will be continuing a “strategic planning exercise” begun during the past year, to determine where the centre will be heading in the future.

Reading from her annual report during the centre’s annual general meeting held on May 27, executive director Mary Stark acknowledged that some members who had commented on the process of self-reflection had wondered, ‘If it isn’t broken, why fix it?’

“Indeed, we don’t feel that anything is broken,” she said. “And indeed, we are all proud of our achievements and the huge amount we accomplish together in the course of a year. However we do feel there is more that can be done.”

Stark said the Contactivity Centre needs to “highlight” certain projects it has already started, but which have not been emphasized enough in the past. She said the centre should be proud of its formal involvement in the Concertation Inter-quartier, which is a historic alliance made between community-based groups in Westmount, St. Henri ..... and NDG.

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From the left, Janet Macklem, acting secretary; Helene McCormack (vice chairman), and Mary Stark, executive director.

## Cycling info gathered

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trucks would be moving in and out of the work site.

Public Works director Marianne Zalzal, who chairs the city’s Administrative Traffic committee, said she had told the Montreal planners about the proposed arena entrance on Lansdowne.

City officials would also be meeting June 8 with Stationnement de Montréal in reference to requests by Westmount to install a Bixi station. While Campbell did not consider that likely this year, he said, “We’ll know more about their plans after the meeting. At least it’s a step.” The city has made two formal requests for information.

While cycling advocate Daniel Lambert called for faster action by the city in promoting cycling under its sustainability policy, the city is at the stage of information gathering concerning the future of the de Maisonneuve bike path, said Councillor Gary Ikeman.

### Met four times

“That’s our primary focus,” said Ikeman, who chairs city council’s newly formed *ad hoc* bike path committee. It was “premature” to suggest the committee study the Lansdowne-Glen route, he added. While his committee has met four times in less than a month, he said, it had not yet been brought up.

The committee has met, or spoken by phone, with many people who have voiced concerns to the city about the bike path. These include residents of de Maisonneuve, motorists, pedestrians and various cycling groups, including the Westmount Walking and Cycling Association of which Lambert is president.

“Our job is to understand the legiti-

macy of these complaints and to see what can be done to address them to make the path more functional – safe and effective,” Ikeman said.

Its next step would be meeting with the city’s Administrative Traffic committee, “the professionals.”

Lambert said his group submitted 17 recommendations for improving safety on the bike path in March.

While the many meetings are ongoing, the police bicycle patrol has been conducting an education campaign on the bike path and has started enforcing Quebec’s highway code, ticketing for violations. “Sometimes, that’s all some people understand,” said Station 12 commander Stéphane Plourde (see also story p. 1).

And the message may be getting through. One motorist reported last week being surprised to see a cluster of five or six cyclists on the bike path patiently waiting at a red light at Victoria despite a lack of crossing traffic.

Lambert said he believed it was also important for pedestrians to observe traffic signals and set an example for cyclists.

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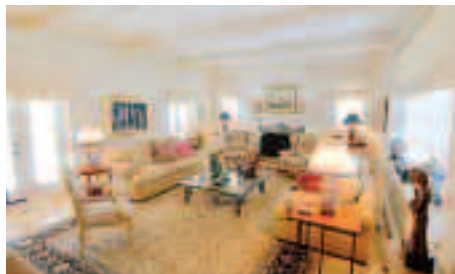
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## SCAMMED 4

In reply to Janine Cobb, who wonders in her May 18 letter (p. 4) whether others have also been scammed by the woman in crutches, the answer is “yes,” it happened to me near Paragraphe Books.

The story is the same with slight variations. She chose me, a pedestrian, and asked for help to cross the street, then asked whether I had a car. Upon learning that I was waiting for a ride, asked for a ride to a vague (but apparently nearby) address that turned out to be way north of the island.

When my friend dropped her off in a café, she bemoaned the fact that the people she was waiting for were not there and asked for a Tylenol, which prompted my friend to suggest I give her twenty bucks.

Yes, indeed, she is a smart scammer but I suspect she is merely trying to survive her physical disability (real) and her mental one (highly probable). She needs our concerted help as a society, not our individual handouts or aggravation. (Good story for an *Indie* journalist!)

The moral of the story: Beware of ever evolving plots. Honest people in pain tell their story simply and with humility.

PS: A friend of mine who witnessed this scene in her passing car later told me it happened to her too. The second time she knew better.

MAYA KHANKHOJE, KENSINGTON AVE.

## PURSE RETURNED INTACT

A heartfelt thanks to the unknown woman who found my purse in Westmount Park May 21.

I rarely take my purse to the park when walking my dog, and stupidly left it behind after sitting and chatting with some people. It was only later that I discovered my loss, and I was delighted to discover that a kind and honest person had retrieved it and turned it over, contents intact, to Public Security. What a relief!

Whoever you are: Thank you, thank you, thank you!

MARGARET JACKSON, LANSDOWNE AVE.

## SCAMMED 5

I also was scammed by our Lady of the Crutches near the Museum of Fine Arts.

I gave her \$20 for a taxi to Ville St. Laurent (I guess her destination is flexible) after she told her tale about everyone being mean to her, how she was studying at McGill for some amazing post-graduate degree, how her lift never showed up, how she had no money (she did however have a cell phone), etc., etc.

Her story is practically identical to Scammed 1, 2 and 3, not to mention the original letter about this scam. I also felt scammed at the time even as I gave the money. I found her aggressive as well and noted how her whole manner improved

when money was mentioned. Since her minimum take per con job seems to be \$20, she has a pretty good thing going. I want to thank the other scammies for telling their stories because it not only made me feel better that I wasn't the only one, but also because it may help to put her out of business.

DEANA SILVERSTONE, GROSVENOR AVE.

## LOST IN WESTMOUNT ... THEN FOUND

The unsigned policy in journalism is that editors don't write letters to themselves – but I am prepared to deal with the fallout and am writing this letter, which I will call a “letter to the community.”

On May 27, my dog Toby cleared the Murray Hill dog run fence and ran off, spooked by causes that remain unknown. Through the powers of viral community communication – through word-of-mouth, online messaging and booming vocal chords – the news of this lost dog was circulated around. Five and a half excruciating hours later, after I and others raced around through Westmount and NDG on foot and in vehicle, he was found.

I will remember: the resourceful resident who called me to share the names and numbers of whom to contact at the city and the SPCA; the PSO who informed me, kindly and with confidence, that “dogs run up” a mountain when they are spooked or lost (and he was dead on); the Public Security dispatcher, JP, who took me seriously and did as he promised (all officers I flagged down said they knew what kind of dog to look out for); the Underdog Club, which spewed the word around by tapping into its precious membership list; the caring and patient resident who called me when she saw my lamp post sign, matched the description with a streak of black and white she saw while walking her own dogs – and then waited on the busy corner of Argyle and The Boulevard until I arrived; the friends, who drove their own cars around for hours – into the darkness – until I got a hold of him.

Am I under 300 words?

My faith in people's compassion and willingness to go out of their way has been renewed. Thank you, thank you.

KRISTIN MCNEILL, EDITOR  
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Lévesque with the same sob story. She needed a taxi to get out to the West Island. I offered her a ride, and she decided that perhaps she ought to wait for her friend a little longer but still tried to hit me up for the money “just in case.” At that moment, my empathy soured as it smelled of scam!

The real kicker – this was at least four years ago, so she has been at it for quite some time!

I am sorry for all those that have been taken in and sorrier for all those who really are in dire straits that we pass by without helping because of our mistrust – thanks to “crutch lady.”

CAROL HAWTHORNE, VICTORIA AVE.

## NICER WAY TO SHARE ROADS

On Friday, May 21 around 7 pm my sister, her “mature” sheltie and I were taking a pleasant stroll up Greene Ave. At the corner of de Maisonneuve, where the four-way walk signs were illuminated, we stepped into the intersection.

A woman of about our age on an adult tricycle was slowly riding east on the de Maisonneuve bike path, approaching the intersection. She shouted at us to get out of her way. We just managed to avoid being hit. As she blithely rode through the intersection, we called to her that the four-way walk signs are for pedestrians and that bicyclists must stop at red lights. I will summarize her answer as “Whatever!”

I am often forced to jump out of the way at this intersection, and others on this path. Improving cycle paths around Montreal (and within Westmount) is a great way to enhance our communities. We obviously need to take steps to encourage safety and civility.

Routinely fining “dangerous drivers” be they in a car, on a bike or even on an adult tricycle is one obvious way to get some people to change their conduct.\* Would additional signage (such as traffic lights for bicycles, as one sees in the Netherlands) help? Does the “countdown” feature, or the four-way stop, encourage dangerous riding?

We live in such a wonderful place – let's all think about ways to get more people to share the roads peacefully.

MARY MACKINNON, CLARKE AVE.

\* Editor's note: The police have been doing just that. See story p. 1.

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## Correction

In our last issue, we misidentified the real estate firm of Bunny Berke (May 25, p.16). She is in fact affiliated with JJ Jacobs Realty.

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## SCAMMED 7

I know of this woman on aluminum crutches. It has been the same story for some time now. Sixty dollars is the amount she typically requests. The other day a young woman told me she witnessed her swindling five years ago in Côte des Neiges.

I first discovered her well-crafted, fully bilingual scam two years ago, in Westmount. She needed money for a taxicab because she was stranded. Passers-by would give her \$20, \$40, \$60. As they walked away thinking they had done something nice for a seemingly abandoned woman, she already had her eye on the next victim. I watched her pocket money from three different people as I waited for my girlfriend.

Since then I had forgotten about her, until I began spotting her by the museum, where she now operates. Two weeks ago, as I stood waiting for my bus on Sherbrooke and Mountain, there she was, being helped across the street towards me. She and her would-be victim sat down by the bus stop behind me. Her story began: Her transport never showed up, she needed \$60 for a cab to the West Island. The Good Samaritan offered her a ride but any solution not involving cash was quickly turned down. The helping woman finally broke and began reaching for her wallet. That's when I intervened telling her about the scam.

The guilt and cynicism she felt minutes earlier, as she doubted this disabled person, gave way to relief. She tucked her wallet back into her purse as the scammer cursed me rushing away twice as fast as she arrived.

However, my intervention hasn't deterred her one bit. I see her more than twice a week by the museum, as she dishonestly takes advantage of people's kindness and willingness to help.

MICHAEL ZUREK, SHERBROOKE ST.

## A FAR CRY FROM LAFONTAINE

After a number of summers during which part of Westmount Park was blocked from use by snow fences; after the attempt to foist a huge artificial turf surface onto the park; after converting that area into a gated soccer field, many citizens from this high density part of Westmount are asking themselves who represents their interests on Westmount city council?

Of late there has been a continuous drone against cyclists and the wonderful path that crosses the city along de Maison-neuve. It is one of the gems of the "liveable" city, the city at a human scale. Instead of continuous improvements to this path, its expansion into a network, or its promotion by municipal officials, we are given a diet of red herrings in that it should be considered a danger to society. Yet on my short block of Lewis, there are a number of professionals who engage in this "dangerous" activity each day to reach offices downtown.

How different is the attitude around Parc Lafontaine. I was there to visit a bike fest of twenty different cycling-related groups within that park on May 23. A cycling path and a network of paths traverse

the park that walkers and cyclists share in perfect harmony.

The touchstone on Westmount's attitude to active transport will be if any city official actually leads in the long overdue protected cycling path down the Glen to the award-winning Lachine bike path.

ROGER JOCHYM, LEWIS AVE.

## NEW PSOs NOT THE SAME

Further to John Dorey's letter on the lack of involvement of the Westmount Public Security ("Accident Inevitable," May 25, p. 4), pertaining to the cyclists' disrespect for the law, I must write to agree with him.

Unfortunately, our Public Security staff wouldn't know how to work on that problem as I haven't recently seen any of them get out of their vehicles to do anything.

Once they became unionized and Director McEnroe retired, along with many outstanding and longstanding officers, the group is not the same. Maybe it's just me, but any time I make eye contact with the SUV drivers/passengers, I have the feeling they don't understand the system and they see us as the enemy. Just a few years ago, the officers would try to be friendly and over time we would get to know many

of them. Not the case today, unfortunately.

Further, as "Public Security," they seem to ignore burnt-out traffic lights, etc. and, I guess, they expect Westmount residents to report Public Security problems.

Once a proud force, Westmount Public Security now appears to be a collection of young people who haven't had recent leadership and are unclear on the concept of providing the community with "public security."

EDWARD KUBACKI, SHERBROOKE ST.

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# Fun at Family Day 2010

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Choeur des enfants de Montréal supporters and participants, back row from left: Wendy Owens, Donna Gold and Maia Haeberle-Savard, 16. Front row from left: Brian Mangrum, 15, Alexa Zirbel and Kathy Faludi.



A group of friends takes a moment from sweet treats to pose. Adults from left: David Rolph, Moira Luce and Caroline Kalaydjian. Kids from left: Emily, 10, Colin, 8, Dylan, 10, and Luke, 8.



Leah Bard helps her son, Matthew, 5, feed goats and other farm animals.



Victoria April, 2, rides a pony with the help of her mother, Corey Anne Bloom.



In line at the inflatables venue are, in the foreground, Julieann, 6, Maxime, 4, and Thomas, 6, who pose with their mother, Lisa Vilder. In the background: Rui Desousa holds his 3-year-old son, Lorenzo.



It's been three years since Westmount last hosted a bike auction, making for a rather large collection of lost or abandoned bikes. In the photo, city balif Joanne Tétreault serves as auctioneer and Mario Gerbeau, city clerk, helps out as bike sell for as low as a dollar to more than \$70.

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The Underdog Club volunteers and dogs up for adoption. Kneeling from left: Gael Fraser-Tyler with Kefi (not for adoption), Anthony Johnson with Flow, Kelly Kehn with Spike and Laurie Melanson with Ivefix. Sherri Stubina stands with Babe, who was featured in the Underdog May 25 column, in her arms.



# Contactivity lobbied for senior-friendly MUHC

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continued from p. 3

The alliance made representations to the MUHC to ensure the health centre's Glen campus site is as accessible and senior-friendly as possible, and that local primary care needs don't get shortchanged because of the MUHC's advanced care mission.

In the past year, according to Stark, Contactivity joined other groups active in Westmount and surrounding communities to express "grave concerns" over issues such as the coming demolition of the Turcot interchange, because air quality is a major factor in senior citizens' respiratory and cardiac health.

With the encouragement of Centraide, one thing Contactivity Centre wants to continue looking at is how its programs are achieving the objective of empowering

senior citizens to take more control of their lives, so they can continue to live autonomously while remaining connected to the community.

In a project begun last year and which is still in progress, the centre partnered with the Healthy City Project to ascertain if Westmount meets the criteria of a "senior-friendly" city.

The centre's membership is around 600, down slightly from last year. Women (531 members) overwhelmingly outnumber men (73 members). Most members (250) are between the ages of 70 and 79, with the second largest number (190) being members who are 80 to 89. A large proportion of members (about 68 percent) live alone, which is higher than the average for Montreal seniors.

## Comin' Up

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

- Westmount's **Dramatis Personae** presents "Richard Cory" at St. Matthew's Church on the corner of Snowdon and MacDonald, 8 pm. For further performances, visit [www.dramatis.info](http://www.dramatis.info).
- Westmount-Ville-Marie MP **Marc Garneau** hosts Repercussion Theatre gala. Auctions, food and drink, 6 to 9 pm. 1307 St. Catherine W., 5th fl. Cost \$125. Reserve: 514.931.2644 or [www.repercussiontheatre.com](http://www.repercussiontheatre.com).
- Former Clarke Ave. resident and author Elizabeth Waterston gives an illustrated talk on **L.M. Montgomery** at 12:30 pm, Atwater Library. Info: 514.935.7344 or [lverge@atwaterlibrary.ca](mailto:lverge@atwaterlibrary.ca).

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

**Harmonia Westmount** choir presents their summer concert, 7.30 pm at Mountainside United Church, 4000 The Boulevard, corner Lansdowne.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

- **City council meeting**, 8 pm, city hall.
- Aron Museum lecture and exhibit "Upon the Doorposts" by **Anna Van Delman**. Free lecture at 7 pm; optional light supper at 6 pm. Cost: \$10 per person. Temple Emanuel-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave. Reserve: 514.937.3575 ext. 230 or [alice@temple-montreal.ca](mailto:alice@temple-montreal.ca).

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

Westmount Horticultural Society presents

Lindsay D'Aoust of D'Aoust Peony Nursery on **tree peonies**, 7 pm, at Westmount Public Library. Admission free for WHS members; \$5 for non-members. Info: 514.932.9349.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

Westmount-based **QWF** hosts early summer schmooze at Amère à Boire, 2049 St. Denis St., 6 to 8 pm. Non-members welcomed. Info: 514.933.0878 or [admin@qwf.org](mailto:admin@qwf.org).

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

The **Thomas More Institute** presents an interview with William Mathews on Bernard Lonergan, 7 to 9 pm. 3405 Atwater. Cost \$10. Reserve: 514.935.9585.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

**Westhill Grandmothers** including Westmounters Margaret Kamester and Sheila Denton will be walking to raise funds for the **Stephen Lewis Foundation's** Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign in support of African grandmothers caring for children orphaned by AIDS. René Lévesque Park in Lachine. Info: 514.695.2652. Info: [www.grandmother-scampaign.org](http://www.grandmother-scampaign.org).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

"**Uncovering Peru**, Land of the Inca" with Fred Hore, 7 pm, in the Westmount Public Library's Westmount Room Register: at the circulation desk or call 514.989.5299.

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AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné à tous ceux qui peuvent être concernés, que les règlements d'emprunt énumérés ci-dessous, adoptés par le conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount lors d'une séance ordinaire tenue le 6 avril 2010, sont réputés avoir été approuvés par les personnes habiles à voter lors de la procédure d'enregistrement tenue le 21 avril 2010. Le ministre des Affaires municipales, des Régions et de l'Occupation du territoire a par ailleurs approuvé ces règlements le 26 mai 2010 :

**Règlement n° 1388** intitulé « RÈGLEMENT AUTORISANT UN EMPRUNT DE 7 540 500 \$ POUR L'EXÉCUTION DE TRAVAUX DE RÉFECTION ROUTIÈRE, DE RESTAURATION DE CONDUITES D'AQUEDUC ET DE RÉHABILITATION DE CONDUITES D'ÉGOUTS » dont l'objet vise à autoriser un emprunt de 7 540 500 \$ relativement à l'exécution de travaux de réfection routière, de restauration de conduites d'aqueduc et de réhabilitation de conduites d'égouts.

**Règlement n° 1389** intitulé « RÈGLEMENT AUTORISANT UN EMPRUNT DE 650 000 \$ POUR LES TRAVAUX DE RÉALISATION DU PROGRAMME DE RESTAURATION DES RÉSEAUX AÉRIEN ET SOUTERRAIN DE DISTRIBUTION ÉLECTRIQUE D'HYDRO WESTMOUNT » dont l'objet vise à autoriser un emprunt de 650 000 \$ relativement à l'exécution de travaux de réalisation du programme de restauration des réseaux aérien et souterrain de distribution électrique d'Hydro Westmount.

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

DONNÉ à Westmount, ce 1<sup>er</sup> juin 2010.

**NOTICE OF COMING INTO FORCE  
LOAN BY-LAWS No. 1388, 1389 and 1390**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all who may be concerned that the loan by-laws listed below, adopted by the Municipal Council of Westmount at a regular sitting held on April 6, 2010, were deemed to have been approved by the qualified voters at the registration held on April 21, 2010. On the other hand, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Regions and Land Occupancy approved these By-laws on May 26, 2010:

**By-law 1388** entitled "BY-LAW TO PROVIDE A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,540,500 FOR THE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME, THE REFURBISHING OF WATER MAINS AND THE REHABILITATION OF SEWERS" the object of which is to authorize a loan in the amount of \$7,540,500 to carry out work for the roadway reconstruction programme, the refurbishing of water mains and the rehabilitation of sewers.

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These by-laws shall come into force according to law.

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

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Mario Gerbeau, greffier de la ville/City Clerk

# Westmount High class of '60 reunited after 50 years



*After three years of organizing, the first reunion of the Westmount High School graduating class of 1960 finally took place on May 28 at the former Westmount High building, which is now Selwyn House School. "We couldn't find everybody, but there are almost 100 people here this evening," said Isobel Marks, a member of the organizing committee (seen in above photo). One couple attending came from as far as New Zealand. More than 200 students graduated from Westmount High School in 1960.*

Photo: Martin C. Barry

## Lesson to Westmount from Montreal

# Pension plans can become over-arching problem

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The more Mayor Peter Trent becomes involved in the Montreal agglomeration budget process the more convinced he is that Montreal's financial woes come down to overpayment of employees and an "over-organizational" structure.

And the deficit situation in which Montreal finds itself due to the rising costs of defined pension plans – especially given current economic conditions and demographic trends – should signal a concern for Westmount in the future as well, he said last week.

"I keep coming back to the fact that Montreal is far too over-administered and pays salaries that are out of line with the private sector with pensions looming large in the benefits package," he explained. "Defined pension plans were, and remain, the biggest challenge. They are essentially a blank cheque."

This, he explained, is because the pension is guaranteed "come what may" despite currently low interest rates, and costs associated with more and more employees reaching early retirement age and living longer.

"Unless [Montreal Mayor Gérald] Tremblay has the ability to take on the chal-

lenge, all the other stuff will pale in comparison."

He also notices the difference in budget preparation compared to Westmount's, where council sets initial guidelines (e.g. holding the line on expenses without reducing services). In Montreal, no guidelines are established. Each department prepares its budget "and then they tell you why their need for more is unique." At the end, all the departmental budgets are put together and then "they find they're \$400 million in the hole."

After attending the transit authority's budget session May 25, Trent said he was more impressed with its process. "They start with a goal."

He said that so far, he had been averaging two days a week attending budget preparation meetings after being appointed to the aggro finance commission. He sits on the committee as one of the two representatives of the Association of Suburban Municipalities of which he is president.

His aim, he said, is to try to reduce tax increases and ensure that the aggro budget is fair to the suburbs.

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# Ben: Gentle as long as you aren't a cat



By MARY LAMEY

Big Ben, a rottweiler-great dane mix, is on his second stint with the SPCA in six months. He was first brought in last December, a big black bear of a dog swept up in a seizure of emaciated huskies north of the city.

His foster home recently returned him to the emergency shelter for two reasons. After spending 10 years tied to a tree, Ben has the bound-tos to hunt anything that scurries. That makes him a poor fit in a household with cats or any other small critters.

His spirit is willing but his flesh is weak. The vet noticed that the 90-lb (40-kg) pooch had a limp and diagnosed arthritis. His condition is manageable, but he does require daily medication.

Ben's foster family say he's a good guy, gentle with people, as long as you don't try

to hand feed him, and eager to please. This underdog is looking for a forever home to live out his last years in comfort and quiet. He would do best with an experienced dog owner, because he still has a few rough edges. Because of his arthritis, he needs careful exercise.

Could Ben be the dog for you? You can meet him at the SPCA emergency shelter at 7314 Mountain Sights (south of Jean Talon), Monday to Friday 12 to 8 pm, or Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 5 pm.

For information on Ben or any of the other underdogs, call the newly dedicated Underdog Club phone line at 1-877-43-DOGGY or send an email to [contact@underdogclub.org](mailto:contact@underdogclub.org). As always, donations can be made online at [www.underdogclub.org](http://www.underdogclub.org). Dog bless you.



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## Dramatis Personae playing Richard Cory this week



Cast members, from left, top row: Ellen Rubin, Marko Hubert and Shawn Osgood. Middle row: Edward Wong (hat), Mary Ann Farley, Diane Liberio, Norma Johnston, Alyssa Victor and Mera Chatman. Front row: Aris Tyros, Jacqueline van de Geer, Malcolm McRae and Irene Grimard. Photo was taken by cast member Ann Elbourne.

The local Westmount theatre group is presenting its spring 2010 production *Richard Cory*, directed by Jacqueline Van de Geer. A cast of twelve portrays a town thrown into turmoil over the sudden demise of their leading citizen. Production times are Thursday, Friday and Saturday – June 3, 4 and 5 at 8 pm, as well as a 2 pm matinée on Saturday and Sunday, June 5 and 6 at St. Matthew's Church (4940 Macdonald Ave.) For more information, visit

[www.dramatis.info](http://www.dramatis.info). Dramatis Personae has been Westmount's community theatre since 1984. The group welcomes new members and meets Monday evenings at Victoria Hall from September to June.

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# Westmounters support Israel Museum with event at RBC



## Social Notes from Westmount and Beyond

VERONICA REDGRAVE

The invitation for the Canadian Friends of the Israel Museum (CFIM) reception was lovely. It featured an image from **Robert Polidori's** series taken at Versailles, a photograph that is part of the RBC corporate art collection.

Hosted at the RBC corporate offices, the event was held at the end of April to raise funds so that Israeli children of all re-

tending were **Nicholas Metivier, Pierre François Ouellette, René Blouin, Jeannie Riddle, Serge Vaisman and Tim Dunn.**

Artists present were **Michael Smith, Westmounter Tom Hopkins, Pierre Dorion, Anthony Burnham, Etienne Zack, Chih-Chien Wang and Dil Hildebrand.**

Chair of the event was former Westmounter **Marissa Nuss**, accompanied by her husband **Joseph Nuss**, and co-chairs of the CFIM, Westmounter **Karys Marcus and Rosalind Goodman.**

Other Westmounters noted in the chic crowd included **Penny and Gordon Echenberg, Jewel and Paul Lowenstein, Pamela and Geoffrey Sachs, Julia Reitman, Sarah Rubin, Connie and Marc Médalsy, Felicity and Howard Blatt, Sara and Gene Reisman, Joanne and Douglas Cohen, Evelyn and Raphael Schachter and Mitzi Dobrin with her son Lewis.**

Also noted were **Ginger Petty, Miriam Rolland, Lois and Bernard Shapiro, Pearl and Saul Lighter, and Rhoda and Joel Pinsky.** Many younger guests were noted thanks to the work of co-chairs of the junior associates of the CFIM, Westmounter **Lisa Reitman and Jonathan Nuss** who assisted... from Australia!



Westmounters Lillian and Steven Vineberg, Roni Gandell and Leo Kolber.

ligions can have free admission to the Israel Museum, as well as to spread awareness of that institution. The evening's host, Westmounter **Bruce Kent**, vice president and director, portfolio manager at RBC Dominion Securities, welcomed guests with his wife **Joëlle**, their daughters, **Katherine and Victoria**, who attend The Study, and his mother, **Agnes Kent.**

Kent was recently awarded the RBC DS Tony Fell Award for the sixth consecutive year as the firm's number one portfolio manager across Canada.

**Robin Anthony**, art curator at RBC, previewed the newest RBC acquisitions of contemporary Canadian art for the guests. Gallerists at-



McCord Museum director Suzanne Sauvage, Marissa Nuss.



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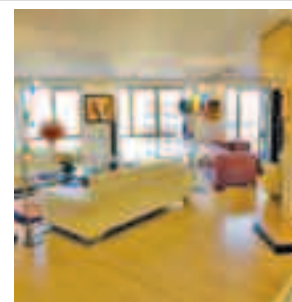
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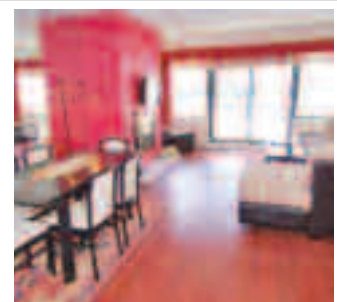
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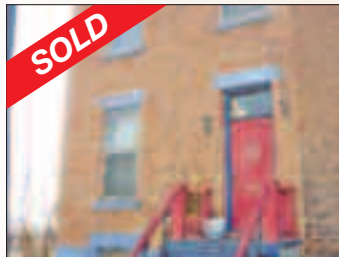
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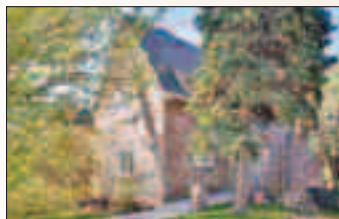
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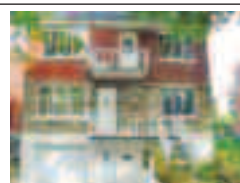
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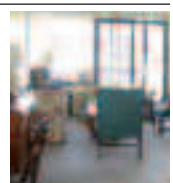


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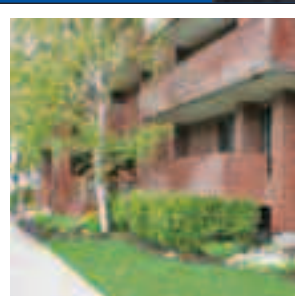
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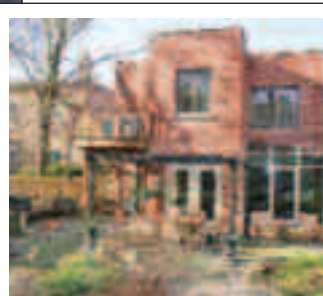
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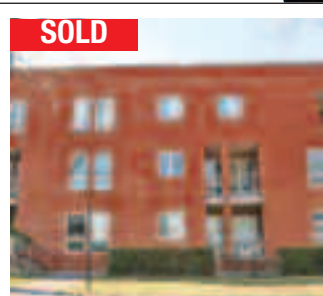
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If you would like to know more about Esmée, please contact Gerdy's Rescue and Adoptions at 514.203.9180 or email her at [info@gerdysrescue.org](mailto:info@gerdysrescue.org).

Many thanks for helping us find a loving home for her as soon as possible.

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Esmée

# Integrative medicine in Westmount marks first anniversary



An open house and a small celebration were held on May 27 to mark the Montreal Centre for Integrative Medicine's first anniversary at 4571 Sherbrooke St. W. across from Westmount Park. Patients and friends were welcomed by Dr. Adam Gavsie, the centre's director, who is seen here in the middle of the photo wearing a stethoscope. He is surrounded by more than a half-dozen medical and holistic practitioners whose services are also available at the centre. Integrative medicine combines the methods of both conventional and alternative medicine.

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*Tipline will run any reward-for-information notices being offered by residents, whether as part of the fund mentioned above or directly.*



# Police report on bike path

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runs.

The station has been working to improve the conduct of cyclists who fail to observe stop signs and red lights on the de Maisonneuve bike path where “we have that kind of behaviour,” he pointed out.

The bike patrol hit the path in mid-April with a prevention campaign based on obeying regulations and advising people to wear a helmet. With the start of Opération Vélo on May 17, the first enforcement crackdown will continue until June 30. This will be followed by another in August.

## Bike patrol put undercover

For a week at the end of April, however, the bike patrol officers were temporarily taken off their bicycles and detailed to working undercover to arrest the man on May 3 suspected of committing several break-and-entries and home invasions in and around Westmount. “I was very proud of them,” he said.

The arrest was also made possible by excellent information provided by victims at one of the crime scenes, he said.

Plourde said he had met with Daniel Lambert, president of the Westmount Walking and Cycling Association, along with the station’s traffic specialist Steven Goldberg and bicycle patrol sergeant Marie-Claude Dandenault. “We did a few interventions with him.”

Plourde said he and a number of Station 12 officers were on duty around the Bell Centre for six nights during the play-offs “though it was generally very quiet.”

## No diagonal crossing

Along with issuing 147 tickets for

speeding in April and another 154 for assorted moving violations in Westmount, officers handed out 24 during the month’s pedestrian safety campaign. None were at the controversial Victoria/Sherbrooke intersection.

“One thing is very certain: we know we are not going to go forward with allowing diagonal crossing at that location,” he insisted. “We’re not going to cross diagonally in Westmount.”

## Victoria residents upset at protest

A number of residents living near Premier Charest on Victoria “were pretty upset,” he said, at the protest Sunday morning May 16, which caused police to close off the block between The Boulevard and Westmount Ave.

Interestingly, however, Mayor Peter Trent said he had not received any complaints.

Organized by FRAPRU (Front d’action populaire en remplacement urbain), about 250 protesters marched along The Boulevard from Argyle to Victoria where they sat in the street and spoke over a very loud microphone.

While orderly, they made a lot of noise, Plourde said.

“We had asked Public Security for their help and went around to every door the day before to speak personally with residents and inform them what would happen and that they wouldn’t be able to get their cars in and out for an hour or more on the Sunday morning.”

Two crowd control specialty teams from Montreal police joined local officers while, Plourde said, a number of residents sat outside watching. “They couldn’t miss what was going on.”

## Selected crime stats from Station 12

November '09 to April '10 – Westmount

Type of crime reported	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Break and enter	5	6	2	3	5	11
Robbery (theft with violence)	1	3	0	2	2	4
Theft from vehicles	15	16	10	10	21	25
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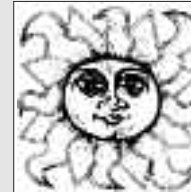
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# Four-time Olympian Botterril visits The Study

BY ISAAC OLSON

Fans may have waited hours on end to glimpse this year's Winter Olympic medals, however students at The Study got a chance to not only hold four medals from four different games, but also meet the Olympian who won them.

"Please be careful with them," said Jennifer Botterill, a Canadian hockey player, before passing around the gold she won in Vancouver, Turin and Salt Lake City as well

as the silver she brought back from Nagano.

Botterill was the keynote speaker at the school's athletics banquet on May 27. Before the evening event, the Olympian visited with students during the day to tell her Olympic tale and answer questions.

Botterill has a Harvard degree, a long list of athletic achievements and plenty of community service under her belt. Her studies were a priority while in school, she said, and the Vancouver games were the most exciting of the four.

"I try to pursue excellence in everything I do," said Botterill, stressing the importance of balancing sports, school, family and community work.

Botterill, 30, still plays for the Canadian national team. As for her future in the

Olympics, she said, "for now, I am going to take it one year at a time."

Students were eager to ask questions and get autographs, however a unified gasp rippled through the room when Botterill, from Winnipeg, admitted she is a Pittsburgh Penguins fan.

Despite her team loyalty, students said

they were inspired by the talk. "She is inspiring to me as a hockey player and as a person," said Patty Johnson, a 15-year old grade 10 student, who is captain of the senior school hockey team.

Johnson and 16-year-old classmate Laura Hallward were


impressed with the young age that Botterill, 17 at the time, joined the Olympic team in 1997. Hallward said, "It's really amazing that you can accomplish so much in such a small amount of time."



The Study's senior hockey team poses with four-time Olympian Jennifer Botterill (centre in red) and her medals.


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## Police beat

# Stolen exam arrest an elementary case

BY DAVID GOLDBERG

A young man was thwarted in his attempt to steal answers to a chemistry exam, thanks to two alert Dawson College security guards.

The guards were watching their security screens at 10 pm on May 21 when they noticed a suspicious-looking young man near the teacher's office.

"The guards said the suspect was wearing a scarf over his face and dark sunglasses as he approached the 6th-floor office," said Station 12 constable Alain Diallo. "Not only did he look odd, but they thought it was strange that a student should be in that hallway at 10 at night."

Police say the suspect did not use force to enter the office but instead simply punched in the door's security code. Once inside, he began looking through desk drawers.

"The guards decided to head up to the office, but before going they called the police," said Diallo. "When they got to the office, they held the door closed so the suspect couldn't escape, but he didn't seem to even know they were there. He just continued searching the office."

When Station 12 constables Erick Lachapelle, François Compagnat and Stéphane McLean-Maltais arrived on the scene, they found the guards already had the suspect pinned on the hallway floor.

"They had the suspect subdued on the

floor, and they were just waiting for the police officers to show up," said Diallo. "Our officers made the arrest without incident. The only item the suspect had on him were the answers to a chemistry exam."

Arrested was a 19-year-old Dawson student who lives in Côte des Neiges. He has been charged with breaking and entering, theft and possession of stolen goods. It is not clear yet what if any action the school will take against the suspect.

"Dawson has one of the best security systems of any school, so this was something out of the ordinary," said Diallo. "I believe this is the first time we had a call at Dawson for an incident such as this."

## Knitters wanted at diet dispensary

The Montreal Diet Dispensary, just east of Westmount, is looking for volunteer knitters to work with a multinational group of low-income, pregnant women on Wednesday afternoons. The activity is aimed at social networking and experience sharing. The dispensary is located at 2182 Lincoln Ave. For more information, contact Nathalie Choquette: 514.937.5375 or ddmdd@qc.aira.com. For more information on the organization, visit [www.ddmdd.org](http://www.ddmdd.org).

## Home invader caught...then released

A Prince Albert resident foiled an attempted home invasion on May 25.

The man was on the phone when the doorbell rang at around 7 pm. He went to answer it, but did not recognize the caller so he asked through the door what his business was. The caller asked if he could have the empty bottles and cans that he had seen in the mudroom attached to the back of the house.

"He had obviously been peering through my windows, and that was my first tip that I didn't want to deal with this guy," the resident told the *Independent*. "I told him that he had the wrong house. He half-heartedly tried the front door and then went away."

The resident went back to his phone call.

"But then he was trying the back door, so I got off the phone and called the police."

The perpetrator was a light-skinned black man with a black mustache, blue hat and blue shirt. He is likely in his 40s or 50s, but very smooth skinned.

"911 was very professional and asked for all the relevant details. Twenty minutes later, I got a call from the police who said they'd caught him."

Because there was no damage to either door, the police were unable to press any charges, even though the resident encouraged them to see this as an attempted break-and-enter.

"I am not faulting the police – who did a great job of catching this guy – but it seems a little strange to have a policy of 'catch and release.' What if a door had been unlocked, and a 90-year-old man or 90-pound woman lived here? Or 9-year-old answered the door?"

"My guess is that a bad mix of politicians and judges has created a criminal and prison policy that doesn't really protect the public. The police did their job, so if this guy does something serious they have his name on file. But that will be cold comfort to the victims."



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Ever wonder why some neighbours have driveway and supporting walls of different materials? Sometimes it's not a matter of choice but what the city's guidelines call for, explains Urban Planning director Joanne Poirier. Differences can also depend on the height and location of the wall.

In the accompanying photos of three types of front walls, the stone wall is what is required under today's norms, which also may allow cement walls with stone facing. Gone are the days of uniform stones and railway ties. Should one of these need replacement or extensive repair, it would have to be replaced according to today's standard.

## BUILDING PERMITS What's permitted

The following permits for exterior construction, alterations and renovation were approved at the city council meeting May 17.

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- 4928 Sherbrooke:** to replace the rear exit stairs and to convert a rear window into an exit door;
- 360 Elm:** to carry out landscaping at the rear, including a deck, fence and resurfacing of parking area;
- 48 Holton:** to build a rear addition to the first floor;
- 40 Summit Cres.:** landscaping to include a new retaining wall and a limestone terrace in rear yard as well as new planting areas at the side and front, and resurfacing of the driveway and walkway at the front;
- 4345 Montrose:** to replace side windows;
- 651 Victoria:** to replace the front door;
- 331 Lansdowne:** to replace sunroom windows;
- 65 Belvedere Rd.:** to replace garage doors as well as two doors and one window at the rear;
- 462 Grosvenor:** to replace some rear windows;
- 567 Roslyn:** to re-landscape side and rear yards, resurface driveway, create new

- planting areas and rebuild the side retaining wall;
- 601 Victoria:** to block one side window opening, to create two new ones;
- 659 Belmont:** to replace basement windows;
- 483 Grosvenor:** to replace some rear windows;
- 526 Lansdowne:** to restore stone on the front;
- 4345 Montrose:** to replace side windows;
- 18 Renfrew:** to replace one basement window and a door;
- 594 Lansdowne:** to build a new basement entry;
- 633 Murray Hill:** to replace storm windows and all double-hung windows as well as two balcony doors;
- 660 Murray Hill:** to replace basement windows;
- 526 Victoria:** to replace windows and basement door at the rear;
- 524 Victoria:** to replace the garage door and window;
- 380 Roslyn:** to build a fence in side and rear yards;
- 361 Kensington:** to replace most of the windows and two doors at the rear;
- 54 Summit Circle:** to replace one door at the front and two at the rear.

## Westmount's 'silver-Smith'



From left: Westmounter Denis Lépine, with designers Jonathan Gabizon and Westmounter Alex Prijic-Smith, and host Michael Banks.

Westmounter Alex Prijic-Smith and her business partner Jonathan Gabizon showcased jewelry from their design house, Vargas Goteo, on May 26. The event for six new collections was hosted by Michael Banks at his Old Montreal loft. Vargas Goteo specializes in high-end silver jewelry, including gemstones such as white sapphires and black onyx.

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## HÔTEL DE VILLE

### Bureaux administratifs – Horaire d'été

Les heures d'affaires sont du lundi au vendredi de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30. Du 7 juin jusqu'au 3 septembre, les heures d'affaires de tous les bureaux administratifs de la Ville, soit l'hôtel de ville, le Victoria Hall, Hydro Westmount, et les Services de la sécurité publique, des sports et loisirs et des travaux publics seront du lundi au jeudi de 8 h à 16 h 30 et le vendredi de 8 h à 13 h. Veuillez noter que la bibliothèque sera fermée le dimanche du 13 juin jusqu'au 5 septembre. Info : 514 989-5200. 🌿



## ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES

### La galerie du Victoria Hall

La galerie du Victoria Hall est fière de présenter *Les héros*, un projet communautaire volet jeunesse présenté par le Centre des arts visuels, parrainé par la Ville de Westmount et réalisé dans le cadre du concours d'écriture littéraire McEntyre. L'exposition se poursuit jusqu'au 12 juin. Info : 514 989-5521.

### Fête de la Saint-Jean 2010

Assistez aux célébrations de la Saint-Jean le 23 juin au parc Westmount pour entendre la musique de Genticorum, parmi les meilleurs groupes québécois de musique traditionnelle. Apportez un pique-nique ou achetez une collation sur les lieux, à partir de 17 h. Soyez des nôtres pour une soirée de jeux et de musique. La soirée se terminera par un grand feu de joie! Info : 514 989-5226. 🌿



## BIBLIOTHÈQUE

### Club de lecture anglaise

Joignez-vous au club de lecture anglaise le mardi 15 juin de 19 h à 21 h pour discuter du livre *Eat, Pray, Love* d'Elizabeth Gilbert. Info : 514 989-5386.

### Club d'échecs et de Scrabble

Aimez-vous jouer aux échecs et/ou au Scrabble? Les prochaines rencontres du club auront lieu les vendredis 11 et 25 juin. Nous sommes toujours à la recherche de nouveaux joueurs. Info : 514 989-5386.

### Auteur-événement - Susan Mitchell

Participe à un projet artistique de création de nouveaux personnages avec l'artiste et illustratrice Susan Mitchell le jeudi 3 juin à 16 h. Âges 7 à 12 ans. Info : 514 989-5229.

## DATES À RETENIR

### Le 7 juin à 20 h

Séance du conseil  
Hôtel de ville

### Jusqu'au 12 juin

*Les héros.*  
La galerie du Victoria Hall

### Le 23 juin – à partir de 17 h

Fête de la Saint-Jean  
Parc Westmount



## Contes Autochtones avec le chef Topleaf

Venez découvrir les traditions des peuples des Premières Nations à l'époque de la Nouvelle-France et leur façon de vivre en parfaite harmonie avec la nature le samedi 12 juin à 14 h dans le jardin du conte. Info : 514 989-5386. 🌿



## SPORTS ET LOISIRS

### La piscine municipale est maintenant ouverte

La piscine municipale de Westmount est maintenant ouverte pour la saison estivale 2010. Consultez notre site Web pour accéder à l'horaire complet des baignades. Info : 514 989-5353. 🌿



## SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE

### Patrouille des parcs

L'été arrive et les patrouilleurs des parcs seront présents nos parcs de la fin mai au début septembre. Info : 514 989-5222. 🌿



## TRAVAUX PUBLICS

### Réfection de l'avenue Greene : rencontre d'information

La Ville de Westmount invite les résidents et les marchands du quartier Greene à une rencontre de suivi du projet de réfection le mercredi 2 juin 2010 à 18 h au Centre Greene, 1090 avenue Greene. Info : 514 989-5415. 🌿



## CITY HALL

### Administrative offices – Summer hours

The business hours are from Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. As of June 7 until September 3, the business hours of all administrative offices of the City (City Hall, Victoria Hall, Hydro Westmount, Public Works, Public Security and Sports & Recreation) will be Monday to Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.. The Westmount Library will be closed Sundays from June 13 to September 5. Info: 514 989-5200. 🌿



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### The Gallery at Victoria Hall

The Gallery at Victoria Hall is pleased to present *Heroes*, a Westmount community youth art project organized by the Visual Art Centre, sponsored by the City of Westmount and undertaken in collaboration with the McEntyre Creative Writing Competition. The exhibition will run until June 12. Info: 514 989-5521.

### Fête de la Saint-Jean 2010

Join the Saint-Jean celebration on June 23 in Westmount Park and hear the music of Genticorum, one of Québec's most exciting traditional music groups. Bring a picnic or purchase refreshments at the park from 5 p.m.. Of course there will be games and music, culminating in the ever-popular bonfire at 9 p.m. Info: 514 989-5226. 🌿



## LIBRARY

### Chess and Scrabble Club

Do you enjoy playing chess or Scrabble? Our games club will meet on Friday, June 11 and 25 at 2 p.m. Drop by for a friendly game as we look forward to meeting new players. Info: 514 989-5386.

### English Book Club

Join the English Book Club from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15 as they discuss *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert. Info: 514 989-5386.

### Author event - Susan Mitchell

Join Susan Mitchell, children's illustrator for a behind-the-scenes look at how children's books are illustrated on Thursday, June 3 at 4 p.m. Help create

## DATEBOOK

### June 7 at 8 pm

Council Meeting  
City Hall

### Until June 12

*Heroes.*  
The Gallery at Victoria Hall

### June 23 – starting at 5 pm

Fête de la Saint-Jean  
Westmount Park



new characters as an art project! Age: 7-12 year olds. Info: 514 989-5229.

## Aboriginal Stories with Chief Topleaf

Discover what it was like in the early days of Canada and how the First Nations people lived with and learned from nature on Saturday, June 12 at 2 p.m. in the Storytelling Garden. Info: 514 989-5386. 🌿



## SPORTS & RECREATION

### Swimming Pool is now open!

The Westmount Swimming Pool is now open for the 2010 season. Access our Web site for the complete schedule of free swim times. Info: 514 989-5353. 🌿



## PUBLIC SECURITY

### Park Patrol

Summer is just around the corner and the park patrollers will be on foot patrol in our parks from the end of May until early September. Info: 514 989-5222. 🌿



## PUBLIC WORKS

### Greene Avenue refurbishing project : information meeting

The City of Westmount invites local residents and merchants to a follow-up meeting concerning the refurbishing project on Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at 6 p.m. at the Green Avenue Centre, 1090 Greene Ave. Info: 514 989-5415. 🌿

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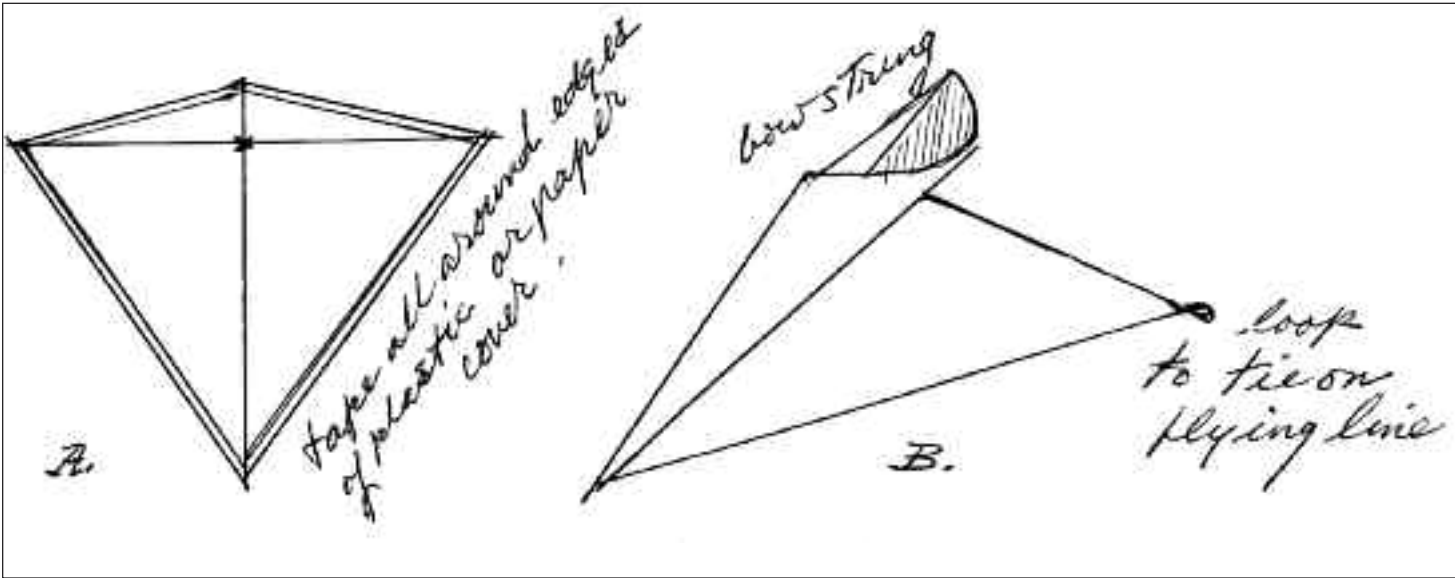


# Go fly a kite!

BY DOUGLAS FALES, CLARKE AVE.  
RESIDENT AND FLYER OF KITES  
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I see very few kites year to year being flown in Westmount Park – a proper location for this activity. Often, none are seen.

- Some tips:
- There is no need to run to launch a kite as the wind alone does that for you.
  - Set up your kite against a tree or fence base if you are alone, or have someone else hold it up facing the wind.
  - Pay out the kite line from a reel as you walk outward from where the kite is being held to at least 50 to 80 feet, or more.
  - Turn around to face the kite as you make the line taut, not slack.
  - A long sweeping motion of the arm holding the reel and a few steps backward at most usually suffices to launch the kite upwards. Use a few more long sweeping arm motions again.
  - Pay out the line gradually as the kite rises. It must get above what is called “ground friction” – mixed, unstable air currents caused by trees and buildings that disturb the even air flow. The kite will move rapidly or erratically until it is



above the lower air disturbances. The more line paid out, the more steady the kite will become. This is because the air stream pressure on a long length of line creates stability. It's called “drag.”

In front of any large building, the air will rise up suddenly and this helps a kite rise, but avoid flying it over the rear or the other side where a downdraft of the same wind will pull your kite down.

If your kite is claimed by a tree branch, “twang” the line like a taut bow string repeatedly. This may jog the kite off the limb.

Plastic kites need less wind than cloth one, which are porous and need more wind. Stay away from power lines please! A west wind is best.

Line sketch drawn by Douglas Fales, March 2010.

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BY MARILYNN GILLIES

Cars have a very negative impact on our cities (pollution-related health problems, personal injury, noise, adding to climate change). So, many cities in North America are promoting cycling as a means of transportation.

Creating safe bike paths is the most effective way to promote cycling, and the numbers confirm the saying: “Build it and they will ride.”

Montreal has 502 km of bike paths (35 km open in winter) and that will grow to 800 km by 2015. Vélo Québec estimates there are now 20,000 winter cyclists. Bixi is a huge success and, after only one year, has sold its system to Boston, London and Melbourne.

### *Davis, CA has more bikes than cars*

Davis, California has more bikes than cars and 17 percent of residents commute to work. The British chief medical officer has called for an eightfold increase in cycling. In Trondheim, Norway, they have built a simple bicycle lift to go up steep hills! Cycling has increased by 150 percent around the lift area (see youtube.bicycle escalator).

## The Cyclist The future of cycling

Financial incentives help promote cycling. The US Internal Revenue Service gives cyclists' employers a tax break to encourage biking to work. Ontario exempts the provincial sales tax for bicycles under \$1,000 and for biking accessories.

Most cities have master bike plans with goals for cycling. But this requires a vision and commitment by city leaders, and education programs for cyclists and drivers alike. New York's Mayor Bloomberg wants to make bicycling mainstream and has hired a team of engineers to work on cycling issues. Chicago's Mayor Daley says he wants “to make Chicago the most bicycle friendly city in the USA.” Other cities are competing for that title.

Vancouver's Mayor Robertson commutes by bike.

Clearly, cycling is becoming an important part of urban life. It limits problems associated with cars and thus improves the liveability of all our communities.

*Marilynn Gillies is a member of the Westmount Walking and Cycling Association. To join or for more information, visit [www.acw-wca.org](http://www.acw-wca.org).*



# Selwyn's Govan recognized with Phys. Ed. teaching award

By ISAAC OLSON

A longtime Selwyn House School physical education teacher and Westmounter has been nationally recognized for excellence in teaching, however, after 38 years with the institution, he isn't the type to gloat about the prize.

"You don't teach for recognition," said Peter Govan, who also coaches several sports. "It's an honour and privilege to be recognized, but this is as much an attribute to the institution and my colleagues as it is to me."

The Provincial Physical Education Teaching Excellence Award annually honours one teacher from each province for reasons ranging from innovative programming to the ability to motivate students.

Awarded by the national charitable organization, Physical and Health Education Canada (PHE Canada) and Wintergreen Phys-Ed, an education supply company, it is the country's only national award for physical education teachers. Award recipients receive a plaque and a one-year membership to PHE Canada.

Candidates were nominated by their peers and selected by their provincial physical education association.

Colleagues wrote letters of reference and, while Govan jokes there must not

have been too many candidates this year, Alfie Paoletti, a fellow SHS physical education teacher who wrote a reference letter, said Govan deserves the recognition.

"Because he has been here for so long, he knows everybody," said Paoletti. "He's at a stage where he is teaching the sons of alumni he taught years ago."

Paoletti said Govan is still just as motivated as he was 25 years ago when they first started working together. He said Govan spearheaded projects like rugby tours of Europe and he stays heavily involved with alumni programming.

"You have to love what you do, and I love what I do," said Govan, noting he intends to teach at least another 10 years.

Govan said he appreciates SHS's kindergarten through grade 11 programming because it allows special relationships to develop over the years – not just with the students but with the parents as well. These relationships help expedite communication in an institution that already benefits from diverse physical education and extra-curricular activities, he said.

Diversified programming, he continued, allows students to pursue their interests, stay motivated and learn important life skills. Team sports, he observed, help students learn to work together and think about others in a modern, seemingly more

self-centred society.

"It's not about winning or losing," said Govan. "It's about ensuring the right values are taught."

See p. 1 for photo.

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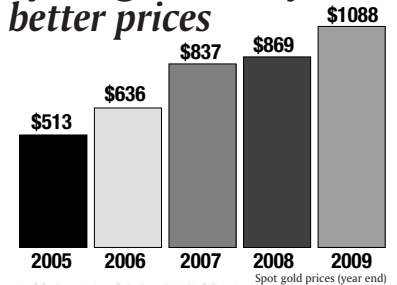
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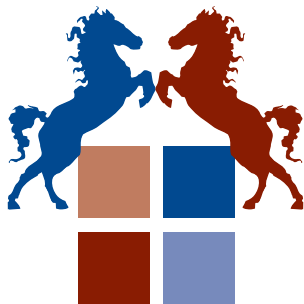
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Address	Price	Evaluation	Buyer	Seller	Date
4364 Westmount Ave.	\$5,550,000	\$3,250,000	Sherri Bloom	Yves Roy & Sylvie Filion	11-May
1 Wood Ave., #2201 & 2 pkg spaces	\$3,800,000	\$2,036,600	David Appel & Carol Biggs	Sybil Zaritsky	06-Apr
21 Gordon Crescent	\$2,337,500	\$1,900,000	Jonathan Blanshay & Kimberley Cole	Vidal Salvo	20-Apr
3223 & 3225 Trafalgar Ave.	\$2,225,000	\$2,200,000	Peter Lashchuk	Estate of Albert Abdoo	09-Apr
4175 St. Catherine St. #2206	\$2,200,000	\$1,692,200	Roberto Bellini	Estate of Guido Perrella	01-Apr
4175 St. Catherine St. #2101	\$2,200,000	\$1,443,500	Mikael Vardanian & Emilia Gustin	Agnes Biro	05-May
604 Clarke Ave.	\$2,150,000	\$1,575,200	Caroline Michel & Daniel Obrand	Joanne McBurney	31-Mar
54 Summit Circle	\$2,050,000	\$1,533,600	Nathalie Ratier & Marc Escande	Estate of Harry Kalish	06-Apr
5 Anwoth Road	\$1,995,000	\$1,450,000	Alice Switocz & Jonathan Goldbloom	David McConnell	09-Apr
4278 Dorchester Blvd.	\$1,860,000	\$1,180,000	Jamie Boomhower & Christine Gruber	David Bensadoun & Isabelle Poirier	19-May
607 Clarke Ave.	\$1,850,000	\$1,363,300	Marc Terfloth	Lydia Hucal	16-Apr
4697 Westmount Ave.	\$1,625,000	\$1,100,000	Lorraine Briscoe & Daniel Le Rossignol	Manon Venne	06-Apr
530 Mount Pleasant Ave.	\$1,530,000	\$1,134,000	Mitchell Hops	Michel Couture & Jean Bertrand	01-Apr
657 Roslyn Ave.	\$1,525,000	\$1,135,000	Marina Boulos & Grant Winton	Suzanne Arseneault	03-May
651 Belmont Ave.	\$1,450,000	\$1,416,600	Francine Poirier	Beverly Skolnik & Frank Zylberberg	28-Apr
198 Côte St. Antoine Rd.	\$1,425,000	\$993,100	Yoanna Skrobik & Eric Shoubridge	Nicole Baillargeon	12-May
749 Upper Lansdowne Ave.	\$1,350,000	\$848,400	Jason Agulnik & Mara Greenstone	Brian Rich & Andrea Bucovetsky	01-Apr
479 Strathcona Ave.	\$1,295,000	\$930,100	Nicolino Discepolo	Jean De Mailly Nesle & Sang Park	14-Apr
175 Côte St. Antoine Rd.	\$1,260,000	\$1,167,700	Alain Bichar & Vartouhie Chahmirian	Ya Li Wang	14-May
1 Hudson Ave.	\$1,200,000	\$1,120,500	Jordanna Feifer	Bram Gordon & Shari Segal	28-Apr
333 Elm Ave.	\$1,160,000	\$886,900	Stuart Cobbett	Alice Switocz & Jonathan Goldbloom	26-Apr
452 Strathcona Ave.	\$1,150,000	\$799,100	Angela Nevard	Magdy Mekhael & Monica Marti	14-May
22 Thornhill Ave.	\$1,075,000	\$817,400	Marten Den Haring & Adrienne Vincze	Mona Sarguis	01-Apr
4547 Sherbrooke St.	\$1,070,000	\$542,400	Suzanne Ternai & Lloyd Maroti	Les Cosmétiques P.C. Inc.	18-May
41 Holton Ave.	\$1,050,000	\$740,400	Yervant Antikacioglu & Pinar Buyukuysal	Lucy Lazarous	28-Apr
641 Grosvenor Ave.	\$995,000	\$750,800	Stéphane Paquet	Panagiota Kanavaros & Franco Botti	01-Apr
4833 de Maisonneuve Blvd.	\$950,000	\$537,400	Anne-Françoise Audrain & Pierre Pontevia	Pierre Zwolinski	13-May
4146 Dorchester Ave.	\$855,000	\$741,300	Ibrahim Youssef & Albert Mashraky	Herman Spies	06-May
554 Lansdowne Ave.	\$846,425	\$746,900	Albert Sayegh & Samara Dalfen	David Woolfson	06-Apr
430 Wood Ave.	\$831,000	\$663,300	Victoria Trim & Timothy Beal	Vera Maxwell	14-Apr
638 Roslyn Ave	\$830,000	\$668,100	Maurice Auzat	André Perron	12-Apr
556 Lansdowne Ave.	\$830,000	\$745,800	David Snively & Dimitrios Hatzepetros	Joan Hastings	03-May
599 Roslyn Ave.	\$820,000	\$775,600	7041721 Canada Inc.	Stephen Litwin & Catherine Matsangos	11-May
4469 Sherbrooke St.	\$720,000	\$634,200	Mary Calabrese	Anne Tonella	06-Apr
4175 St. Catherine St. #601	\$650,000	\$499,500	Agnes Biro	Roger Parienti & Yardena Cohen	14-May
231 & 233 Melville Ave.	\$600,000	\$505,400	9187-1442 Quebec inc.	Frederick Clarke & Donald Clarke	07-Apr
464 Grosvenor Ave.	\$600,000	\$470,000	Mansoureh Javaheri	Estate of Danielle Biesmans	15-Apr
54 Bruce Ave.	\$600,000	\$471,200	Dominique Tardiff & CJMS Investments Ltd.	Roslyn Takeishi	03-May
4637 Sherbrooke St.	\$595,000	\$484,400	Gestion Gian Kano Inc.	Abdolmajid Tandel & Joseph Kholam	23-Apr
3 Church Hill	\$585,000	\$410,000	Nathalie Seguin & Martin Dussault	Sandrine Ferst	12-May
415 & 415A Mount Pleasant Ave.	\$580,000	\$629,600	Mitchell Adler	Diane Maheu	06-Apr
466 Argyle Ave.	\$565,000	\$553,100	Derek James	Stéphanie Vivet & Corinne Habib	16-Apr
61 Bruce Ave.	\$511,000	\$475,200	Patrick Naud & Stéphanie Richard	Mikhail Brodsky	16-Apr
405 Victoria, #201	\$507,000	\$327,400	Andrea Easey	Derek Walker	01-Apr

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# ON THE SHELVES

Among the new arrivals at the Westmount Public Library singled out by staff:

## Adult books

*The Story of Stuff: How our Obsession with Stuff is Trashing the Planet, our Communities, our Health – and a Vision for Change* by Annie Leonard – A thought-provoking book that will change your view of the way you live.

*Stuff: Compulsive Hoarding and the Meaning of Things* by Randy Frost and Gail Steketee – After reading the vivid case studies of compulsive hoarders, you will rush to complete your spring cleaning to avoid the obsession that grips those with this disorder.

## Magazines

“Making waves in Chicago: Studio Gang designs a new icon. A dynamic facade of swerving balconies adds pizzazz to the Chicago skyline” by Suzanne Stephens in *Architectural Record*, May, 2010. p. 60.

“Test driving the iPad: should you buy Apple’s tablet? Here’s what we think” by Jason Snell in *Macworld*, June 2010, p. 28.

“Marketing sur ordonnance: nos médicaments coûtent une fortune et certains ne sont guère plus efficaces que des placebos. Pourtant, nous en consommons toujours davantage” by Rémi Maillard in *Protégez-Vous*, May 2010, p. 9.

## Reference

*World Ocean Census: A Global Survey of Marine Life* by Darlene Trew Crist.

## Adult French – Spotlight on Haiti

*Haïti, l’insupportable souffrance* by Ran-

dall Robinson – This book tells the story of Haiti from its days as an outpost of slavery through independence and also recounts the more recent era of foreign-backed dictators. It culminates in the 2004 kidnapping and ousting of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the country’s first democratically elected president.

*Tout bouge autour de moi* by Dany Laferrière – The recent winner of many literary awards, Laferrière was in Haiti when the January 12 earthquake happened. He tells about how he felt the gripping fear of death and testifies to the devastating impact of the disaster on the lives of ordinary people.

## CDs

*Tenor Arias* – The most popular Italian arias sung by Marc Hervieux accompanied by conductor Yannic Nézet-Séguin and l’Orchestre métropolitain.

*Arvo Pärt: Portrait* – Acclaimed violinist Angèle Dubeau leads her all-female ensemble La Pietà in a program devoted to Arvo Pärt, an Estonian composer with a unique voice on the contemporary scene.

## Comics for Children

*Mouse Guard Fall 1152 & Mouse Guard Winter 1152* by David Petersen – Using richly coloured panels, the author brings to life the struggles of the Mouse Guard – a group of sword-wielding mice who must fight against the dangers of the world. (Fans of *Redwall* will love this series!)

*Léo et Lola* by Thierry Nouveau – This comic series for younger children follows the tumultuous relationship between Léo and his sister Lola.

## Arena, arena, arena

# Sampling of citizens’ comments

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Along with voting Yes or No to the arena/pool proposal, citizens were asked to make additional comments, a full copy of which has been provided to the city by Ipsos, according to Mayor Peter Trent.

Here is a summary by the polling firm, which tabulated the results, categorized into six clusters. Some of the comments follow by category.

### 1. Those who expressed support simply saying the proposal was a good idea

“... I think putting the arenas underground was a brilliant idea! The design is modern, effective, and practical while respecting various crucial issues raised by concerned Westmounters.”

### 2. Among those in favour, concerns on different aspects of the project such as environmental, tax increases

“...It will benefit current users and future generations to come. My only concerns are the potential for cost overruns (seeing as this type of development is rare) and the likelihood that even when the cost is fully paid off, our tax bills will never be decreased by the appropriate amount.”

### 3. Those specially supporting the mayor

“I feel that Peter Trent has good vision. The mailing was very informative. I will be disappointed if we do not go ahead with this project.”

### 4. Those wanting an indoor pool

“Although we are generally satisfied with the proposal, we feel an indoor pool a necessity. Once we are doing a project of this stature, just do the whole thing.”

“Il faut avoir une piscine intérieure en priorité sur tout le reste.”

Comment from Ipsos: Approximately 10 percent of respondents who oppose the project want an indoor pool. If we add up the respondents who mentioned the indoor pool who are for the project with those who are against, we realize that this matter was only raised by 6 percent of all respondents.

### 5. Those who would not use the facility or were not concerned

“I never use these facilities. Nor do I have any children. For me, and others in my position, I feel that the current facilities are adequate, rather than spending money and creating a lot of construction mess and fuss.”

### 6. Those preferring investment in alternatives

“A pool is unnecessary, the YMCA is right there, has great facilities. There is also already an outdoor pool, and an arena. Why waste time and money to ruin the environment even more than we already have? This money could go into creating sustainable areas in Westmount, and be an example for other cities. This is totally unnecessary.”

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# Looking back at the roots of Shaar’s l’Art de la table

BY MARYLIN SMITH CARSLY

A new twist to the annual table settings event by the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue’s Sisterhood was showcased as l’Art de la table: Designers’ Edition.

Under the patronage of Milly Lande, the event started with the patron’s evening on May 5 featuring a vernissage, a *soirée dinatoire*, and a preview of the Avenue of Boutiques.

On May 6, the exhibition opened its doors for guests to observe a variety of table settings, along with innovative and detailed designer rooms created by many of Montreal’s leading decorators.

This table settings museum notion was developed in 1994 when a member of the synagogue purchased a book in New Eng-

land that portrayed the setting of tables in a stylish and entertaining fashion. Unanimously, this suggestion was accepted as a synagogue fundraiser and evolved into a yearly spring event.

Initially tables were arranged portraying Jewish holidays, celebrations and afternoon teas. Over time, it gradually altered its appearance and began to include exotic floral arrangements, antiques, crystal, china, tablecloths, silverware, and fantasy-designed themes.

This year, professional designers were involved in the creation of non-traditional dining rooms such as a library, a backyard table setting and an elegant black and white dining room amongst silver accents.

After the viewing of designer rooms, guests were able to partake in a buffet

lunch served around a bar surrounded by small tables and chairs.

A few years ago, the Avenue of Boutiques was added as a special attraction for the visitors with items such as giftware, antiques, jewellery and orchids so that shopping can be part of the afternoon.

Proceeds from this annual event are directed towards the Sisterhood’s Meals on Wheels program, where home-cooked kosher dinners are prepared and delivered to those seniors who desire to live an independent lifestyle in spite of the challenges of age or disabilities.

Since 1972, a committed and very dedicated group of individuals organize the meals at the synagogue kitchen and distribute them. They serve close to 5,000 meals each year to those in need.



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12 Park Place #6	\$460,000	\$358,300	Sandrine Ferst	Susan Anderson	18-May
399 Clarke Ave. #7B	\$445,000	\$352,300	Margaret Pieterse	Estate of Sarina Altman	10-May
10 York Ave. #303	\$435,000	\$337,700	Anne Charney	Louis Caouette Investments S.A.	09-Apr
10 York Ave.#203	\$410,000	\$328,300	Melvin Charney	Denise Desrochers	09-Apr
2 Burton Ave.	\$380,000	\$209,800	Noel Butler & Judith Nixon	Eudice Rosenberg-Garmaise	10-May
84, 86 & 88 Somerville Ave.	\$340,000	\$502,400	Nicholas Mumme & Renée Aourousseau	Liam Whitty & Mary MacGillivray	03-May
3121 St. Antoine St.	\$319,000	n/a	Jean-Daniel Labbé	Marija Djordjevic & Michel Ostaszewski	30-Apr
528 Lansdowne Ave.	\$32,282	\$508,500	Anthony Hoogendyk	Laura Carter	27-Apr
1 Wood Ave., Unit A70	\$19,000.00	\$10,000	Christoforos Tambakis	Jackson De Bordes	06-Apr
616 Sydenham Ave.	\$1	\$1,900,500	Blackbuck Holdings Inc	Jason Schwartz	06-Apr

## Ladies of Roslyn host yearly sale to benefit Chez Doris



Shirley Williams (holding the basket) offers some clothing items outside her home May 29, as part of the annual Ladies of Roslyn street sale. Proceeds will be donated to Chez Doris, a non-profit organization that offers educational and recreational activities, social services and professional services for women in need.

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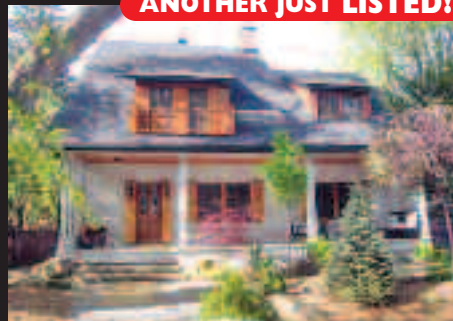
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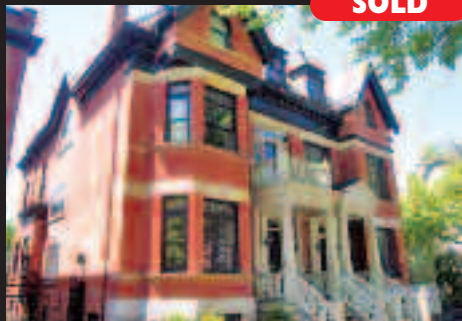
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