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Trent holds out hope for pension relief in tax letter, province strikes committee

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The first glimmer of hope that some action from Quebec could be forthcoming to help municipalities reduce the burden of

pension fund costs was revealed in a letter from Mayor Peter Trent accompanying tax bills this week.

As employee pension costs now consume 25 percent of Westmount's payroll, he states, finally "it seems Quebec may help us do something about it."

Providing more details to the *Independent*, he said Quebec's Municipal Affairs ministry has set up a committee of civil servants to look into the
pension issue. *continued on p. 19*

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Starting off Y's centennial



Photo: Martin C. Barry

From left, Westmount Y coordinator Vanessa Valente and director Gary White are seen here holding an original leaflet that was printed for the Westmount branch's opening day in 1912. See p. 11

Adopts policy to require financial guarantees

Council cracks down on 'everlasting' worksites

After years of complaints from residents annoyed by on-going neighbours' construction, city council adopted a new policy January 16 requiring financial guarantees for new construction exceeding 1,000 square feet.

The guarantee is being imposed to ensure that work is completed within the time allowed by two 18-month building permits.

It would have to be deposited if the

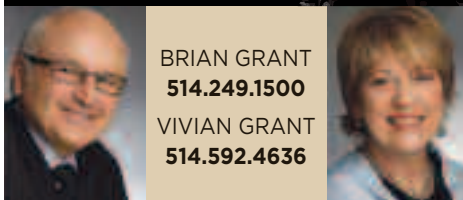
work was not finished by the time the first permit expired and before a second was issued.

The rate is \$25 per square foot of new construction payable as a cheque, bank draft or bond. It is to be refunded if the work is completed on time. The city will retain the guarantee if the work is not complete when the second permit expires.

The reason for such a
policy was to prevent *continued on p. 5*

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A decade after nomination by U of M students

Westmount given national historic site designation by Parks Canada

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

It was more than a decade in the making, but last week a major portion of Westmount was officially recognized by Parks Canada as a national historic site.

The designation of “national historic significance” acknowledges the role of ar-

chitecture in the development of Westmount, “one of Canada’s iconic neighbourhoods.”

It is given to places, persons and events

3 others cited with Westmount

Along with Westmount, three other historically significant designations were announced. They were:

- The founding of the first youth hostel in North America, in Bragg Creek, Alberta;
- The Cataraqui Cemetery in Kingston, Ontario – final resting place of many prominent political, economic and social leaders, including Canada’s first prime minister, Sir John A. Macdonald;
- The consequences of the deportation of Acadian inhabitants of Île St. Jean (now Prince Edward Island) in 1758.

deemed to have played a special role in the building of Canada.

“It’s a fine salute to our building and planning commission that has existed since the turn of the century,” said Councillor Cynthia Lulham, the city’s Urban Planning commissioner. “It also gives more teeth to our architectural by-law.”

The Westmount designation was one of four announced January 17 by federal Environment minister Peter Kent on recommendation of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada.

A ministry representative later confirmed it is to be known as the “Westmount National Historic Site.”

It applies to much of the territory from the summit south to the expressway, identified as “emblematic of the Victorian and post-Victorian suburb in Canada on account of its overall diversity and integrity.”

Exempted are strips on the east and west borders, the entire south-west district and an area east of Melville between de *continued on p. 3*



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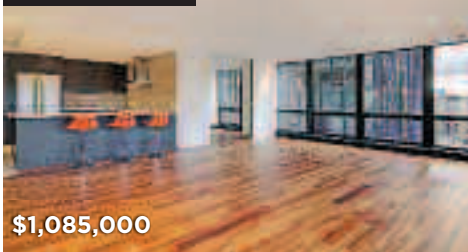


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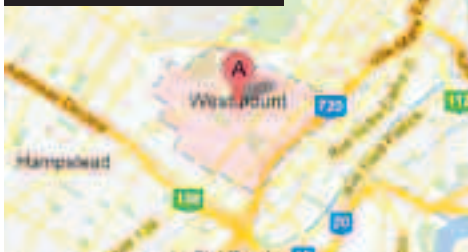


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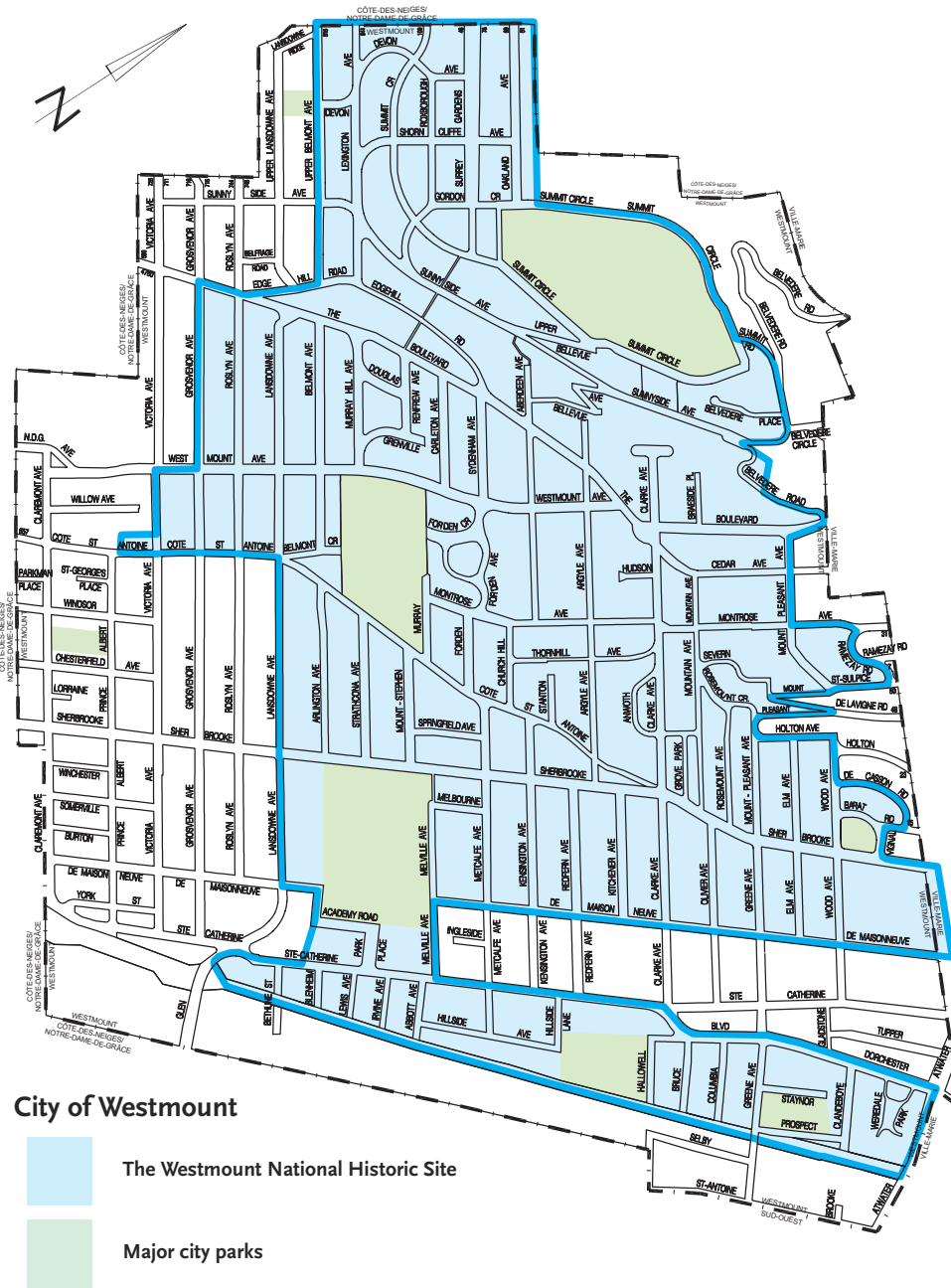
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Historic Site: ‘Honour without constraints’



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Maisonneuve and Dorchester (see map at left).

“This is an honour given to us without constraints but it can be withdrawn,” explained city Urban Planning director Joanne Poirier. “We’re the caretaker and have to act with diligence moving forward.”

Doreen Lindsay, president of the Westmount Historical Association (WHA),

said: “I think it’s quite valuable to Westmounters to have the official acknowledgement that our buildings here have significance. It brings awareness and appreciation.”

Began with students in 2000

The nomination of Westmount was made in 2000 to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, a division of Parks Canada, by two University of Montreal continued on p. 16

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NEWS FROM CITY COUNCIL

215 Redfern wins council okay for exterior demo, design

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

After many months of ups and downs in the conversion of 215 Redfern to condominiums, city council January 16 approved design plans that pave the way for exterior demolition and construction work at the former Reader's Digest building.

The demo permit is contingent on a monetary guarantee of \$500,000 as requested by the city's Demolition committee, Urban Planning director Joanne Poirier later confirmed (see September 27,

p. 5).

As well, the building permit that is to be issued will fall under the city's new policy requiring financial guarantees.

This means if the project is not completed within 18 months according to the first permit, the issuance of a second permit will require a deposit.

In this case, based on the extent of construction, the deposit would be \$1 million, she told the *Independent*. This is to ensure the work would not exceed the two 18-

month time frames (see separate story, p. 1).

The two new permits are also conditional on a site management plan that will include how construction vehicles enter and leave the work site.

The city is known to be recommending they use Redfern between St. Catherine and the work site. This would prevent trucks travelling north to de Maisonneuve and crossing the bike path.

This block is currently one-way north so this plan would require a change in direction to two-way traffic and in the traffic lights at Redfern and St. Catherine.

From commercial to residential

Final details have yet to be worked out with the contractor, Poirier said.

The city issued a permit September 19 for demolition of interior partitions of the building only. But this was not expected to generate much construction traffic.

The new demo permit will allow for removal of some portions of the building as

well as the entire façade "in order to transform the building from commercial to residential."

Under the building permit, two storeys will be added to a large portion of the four-storey building, as well as a recreational roof structure – previously referred to as a penthouse – containing an indoor pool and exercise room.

As a major development whose final design had not yet been approved by the council, 215 Redfern was singled out from other permit requests as a separate agenda item at last week's council meeting.

The widely publicized development is to include some 63 "luxury condos" at a cost previously quoted at \$25 million.

The plan has generated concern from neighbours over potential construction disruption.

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No stopping approved for Church Hill's east side

Cars and other vehicles will no longer be allowed to stop on the east side of Church Hill, previously a no-parking zone.

The change was approved by city council at its meeting January 16 to alleviate traffic congestion on the steep and accident-prone hill where some 200 children attend Miss Vicky's pre-school. Double parking by parents is among reported problems.

The measure was undertaken to improve safety on the relatively narrow street,

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explained Councillor Gary Ikeman, though two residents in the audience suggested the restrictions did not go far enough.

Resident Bertha Dawang said the east side was not the problem. Rather it was the west side where no-parking in front of the doors to Miss Vicky's and St. Mathias'



Bertha Dawang at the January 16 council meeting.

Church should be strictly enforced.

Shelley Kerman, who also lives across the street, said residents were becoming aware of the Public Security's message to turn the wheels of parked cars to the curb to prevent them from rolling downhill.

There were, however, many other hills – even steeper ones, perhaps – such as Mountain and Argyle. "Church Hill's not the only one."

City director general Duncan Campbell

Construction worksites

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"everlasting construction," according to Urban Planning commissioner Cynthia Lulham.

The change was finally triggered by recent experiences such as the building of a new house at the Summit lookout and one at 310 Côte St. Antoine.

Not fair for next door

"It's not fair to people living next door," Lulham said of lengthy construction.

The new policy's written objective is "to ensure and maintain the quality of life of residents... [and is] intended to motivate every owner and its contractor or contractors to complete the building work within the period prescribed."

One questioner at the council meeting objected to the time limitations saying in part that building materials can take much longer to be delivered. Lulham said in an exceptional case she was sure something could be worked out.

A financial guarantee already exists on demolition work.

noted in this respect that the 689 warning tickets and 140 actual tickets issued by Public Security were city-wide.

Fixed signage was needed to remind parkers of the wheels-to-curb regulation rather than the sandwich boards that had been put up, Kerman said. But Campbell replied this was only a temporary solution. And the city is waiting for recommendations of the city's master traffic plan before tackling specific problem areas.

'Not sitting on hands'

While these are expected by year's end, Mayor Peter Trent said that when it came to safety, "we're not going to sit on our hands."

Kerman reiterated her previous call to prohibit cars turning north up Church Hill from Côte St. Antoine between 7 and 9:30 am "to reduce the number of cars shooting up the hill." She then added, "It would only make what double parking is going to happen anyway much safer."

Regarding the new east-side restrictions, Councillor Patrick Martin asked what the difference in tickets was between no-parking and no-stopping. Public Security director David Sedgwick replied from the audience: \$52 versus \$57, respectively.

Inside work permit extended

Residents undertaking interior building and renovation work requiring a permit are soon expected to have six months longer to complete the project.

City council approved a change in the Permits and Certificates By-law 1300 extending the length of time from 12 to 18 months. The time extension brings such permits in line with the 18 months already in force for exterior work, standardizing and simplifying the permit process.

The amendment was adopted at the January 16 meeting of council but is still subject to a register to be open at city hall February 22.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

COULD ARENA BE AT MUHC'S GLEN SITE?

In this punch-drunk age, where nothing seems shocking anymore, I turned to p. 14 of the *Independent's* January 17 issue and was awakened from my stupor. [On that page] lay the revelation that part of the MUHC lands are indeed in Westmount and have no use in the foreseeable future.

Might this have been the home of the Westmount arena?

As the pounding of the piles at the MUHC slowly fades from memory, one must wonder if that cacophony might have been joined by those of our ill-fated arena. With each ping of the pile driver, we might have moved ever closer to saving \$15 million, having an indoor swimming pool and creating a spirit of "Philadelphia" amongst our citizenry. Westmount Park would have retained its true vocation as a place of tranquillity and landscape, as the Olmsted Brothers had intended.

Peter Trent, our embattled mayor, might have walked our streets, as rose petals or undergarments descended upon him from above, as if greeting Elvis returning from the great beyond.

Yet, alas, it still may be so.

Land Ho, Peter...Land Ho.

DAVID LUDMER, GROSVENOR AVE.

Editor's note: As far as we know, the land

is totally unavailable for use by Westmount for an arena. According to Councillor Patrick Martin, in his May 17, 2011 "Rec Centre Q & A" column: "Although the MUHC does not intend to build immediately on the Westmount portion of its land, it is holding it in reserve for future expansion. It is not for sale. We have checked with them, twice." – KM

TWO SNOWFALLS, THEN WHAT HAPPENS?

This is in reference to "Low snowfall spared city some \$400K – till now" (January 17, p. 1).

I would like to address a couple of questions to Mr. Monteiro and Mr. Hunter with regards to their route and priorities of snow removal.

I live on Kensington Ave. We are certainly a priority 4 as our street along with others, I guess, is one of the last to be plowed.

My first question is: what if you are three days into a four-day plow job and it snows heavily again? Does Kensington and the other not-so-fortunate streets get done before other streets, which have already been cleared from the initial snowfall?

It is a question of safety that I bring this to your attention. Where is the logic in clearing other streets that have no visibility issues when other streets now have

double the size of mounds piling up alongside people's driveways.

Also, I realize your priority is fire routes and schools, yet you clear the block of Kensington between Côte St. Antoine and Sherbrooke but not the rest of the block.

Metcalf is a fire route, correct? If I had to guess when fire trucks come down Metcalfe from Côte St. Antoine and turn either east or west on Sherbrooke most of the time, why is it then that you clear the entire length of Metcalfe? It is not as if Kensington is the length of Sherbrooke St.

I would appreciate any insight to these questions.

TRACEY WINTER, KENSINGTON AVE.

Marianne Zalzal, director of Public Works, responds: "Snow loading operations are planned according to certain priorities, which are based on the general use of the street such as fire routes, school zones, commercial districts and residential streets. The number of days that are required to pick up the snow from all the streets in the city depends on the accumulation of the snowfall. The schedule of the loading operations is also impacted by the provincial law that limits the number of consecutive days a driver can operate heavy machinery.

A street such as Kensington, between Sherbrooke and St. Catherine, is a residential street that gets loaded after the fire routes,

school zones and commercial streets have been completed. Kensington, between Sherbrooke and Côte St. Antoine, however, is considered a school zone. Metcalfe, throughout, is a fire route and will also get loaded before Kensington, south of Sherbrooke.

Should a we receive another snowfall during a loading operation, the loading operation is interrupted to carry out salting and plowing of streets and sidewalks, after which the operation would resume where it left off. The added accumulation of the snow that is already on the ground would require that we then continue with the loading of the streets that have not been touched before we go back to the start of the list.

HAPPY RETIREMENT TO MALLOCH

What a wonderful article on Katie Malloch! ("Malloch retires from CBC," January 17, p. 11).

We shall all miss her program on the CBC but wish her well on her "retirement."

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Yoga in Victoria Park's new studio



An open house was held at Victoria Park, 376 Victoria, on January 21 inviting people to try the health club's yoga and pilates program. Complimentary duo and solo demo sessions of pilates and classes in other forms of yoga were also offered throughout the day in the new yoga and pilates studio following six months of renovations. Seen above, instructors lead students in a session of Jivamukti yoga, a specialized form of the discipline. Instructors of the yoga and pilates studio include master trainer Jennifer Horvath and yoga instructor Yasmin Gow.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

MORE NEWS FROM COUNCIL, JAN. 16

Century-old 'Good Morals' by-law to be reviewed

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Under the city's Good Morals and Decency by-law of 1909, it's against the law to wear a bathing suit in public in Westmount, hold cock fights, or drive a horse faster than at an "ordinary trot."

It's even illegal for stores and offices to open on Sunday – except druggists and chemists – and to sell any "immoral" or "lewd" books.

And if you don't pay the fine, the ultimate penalty is two months imprisonment.

While the By-law 196 has been amended through the years, many provisions no longer apply and it's time for the city to review and rewrite it in keeping with the times, Councillor Cynthia Lulham told the January 16 meeting of city council.

Stemming from a personal experience, she's concerned in particular by regulations regarding non-profit, charitable groups that fundraise on city streets and in other public places.

Under Section 6 regarding solicitation, persons may not beg or solicit funds unless holding "a certificate" stating they are "a deserving object of charity" as signed by a "priest, clergyman, minister of the gospel or two justices of the peace" residing in Westmount.

Council role

On October 6, Lulham recounted, she had received two complaints about students blocking the sidewalk on Sher-

brooke at Prince Albert while fundraising for Oxfam. She had relayed the complaints to Public Security "as is my role as a councillor." Officers, acting under By-law 196, asked the group to leave because they had no permit to solicit in Westmount (see November 15, p. 5).

But recently, a letter in another newspaper alleged she had "demanded the intervention." She objected to the allegation saying she doesn't "instruct" Public Security to do anything, "but it's clear we need to revisit our by-law."

Council members at a general committee meeting before the public session had agreed and the by-law will now be reviewed by the administration. Regarding fundraising, she said a clear policy was needed.

One of the more challenging aspects, Lulham later told the *Independent*, will be dealing with social challenges such as pan-

handling, which is also prohibited under Section 6.

Meter rates jump to \$3/hr. in southeast

Westmount's parking meter rates have been increased from \$2 per hour to \$3 in the district immediately west of the border with downtown Montreal.

As announced during the budget address December 19, city council approved the change January 16 to prevent Montreal parkers in that area from "taking advantage of Westmount's lower rates," Councillor Gary Ikeman explained.

The new rates apply to meters from Sherbrooke to Dorchester inclusive and from the east side of Wood to Atwater. This includes the Tupper parking lot and Tupper St. from Gladstone to Atwater.

Miss Vicky's only pre-school without permit

A city survey of daycares and pre-schools in Westmount showed that all 11 but one had a required occupancy permit, city director general Duncan Campbell told the January 16 meeting of city council.

The exception, he said, was Miss Vicky's on Church Hill, for which the city had not been able to find a permit on a preliminary search.

In light of the city's findings, the city was asking the school's operator to make an application for a permit "to regularize its operation," Campbell said. The school has been at the church for 20 years.

Its occupancy had been questioned at previous council meetings by one of several residents of the street concerned about safety issues related to traffic generated by the school (see December 13, p. 1 and 5.).

The school functions out of St. Matthias' Church, which resident Bertha Dawang continued to challenge at last week's meeting as being a commercial enterprise in a residential zone.

"It's not an outreach project," she said and not a not-for-profit group such as Girl Guides or Alcoholics Anonymous, which have used church facilities.

No audio from council meeting

Anyone expecting to find an audio recording from the January 16 council meeting on the website is out of luck.

The session took place without the usual sound and amplification systems, though councillors and questioners alike kept reaching for the microphones out of habit.

After troubleshooting the problem for a few minutes at the meeting's usual 8 pm start, city clerk Mario Gerbeau finally threw up his hands in apparent dismay. And Mayor Peter Trent brought down the gavel and called "the unplugged meeting to order."

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Police Beat

Suspect still at large after National Bank robbery

By DAVID GOLDBERG

Station 12 police are still looking for an unarmed suspect who robbed the National Bank after releasing a man detained shortly after the crime occurred.

Police say the suspect entered the bank, located at 4084 St. Catherine St., around 3 pm on January 13. He went up to the teller and said loudly in French, “Give me the money.”

“The suspect never showed a weapon,” said Constable Adalbert Pimentel. “After getting the money, the suspect fled the bank, running west on St. Catherine.”

The suspect is described as a white male, 40, 5’10” with a double chin. He wore a green tuque and a dark jacket.

Police units, who showed up shortly after the robbery, were given that description, and they headed out to try to find the suspect.

“Our officers detained a 42-year-old Westmount man on St. Catherine at 3:20 pm, but it turned out he wasn’t the suspect, and he was released,” said Pimentel.

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Centre Greene ‘healthy,’ still has renos to do, AGM learns

By JOANNE PENHALE

With help from the city of Westmount, increased donorship and two federal grants – Centre Greene reports it is healthy and strong.

At its annual general meeting on January 19, executive director Wesley McCoy thanked the city for its help with building repairs. In particular, he named Councilor Theodora Samiotis, who had minutes earlier left the meeting, for her ongoing role in communicating between the city and Centre Greene.

Required repairs and an accumulated deficit were amongst the centre’s troubles last year. The city announced it would

match funds raised by the centre – up to \$100,000 – to deal with the necessary upgrades. So far, reported treasurer Michael Harrison, \$75,000 has been raised.

“We would not have been able to do it without some sensational help from some traditional donors,” Harrison said. Many small donors gave more this year, he explained, and some large donors doubled their contributions.

Centre Greene also won two federal grants from Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC). One was for \$75,000, from the Enabling Accessibility Fund, which will help cover an entry ramp to the building, as well as bathroom renova- continued on p. 15



“It was a good year – a very, very good year,” reported Centre Greene’s treasurer Michael Harrison to an audience of 15. The meeting was held on a third-floor room of the centre, which was refinished in August. Beside Harrison, from left, is Centre Greene’s executive director Wesley McCoy, chair Malcolm McCrae and secretary Kate Sutherland.



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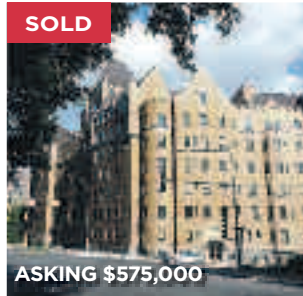
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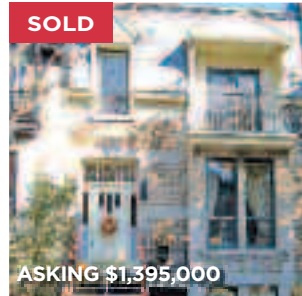
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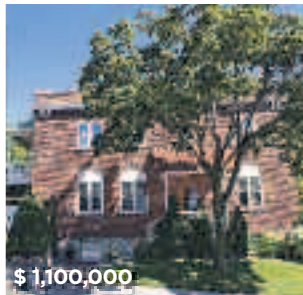
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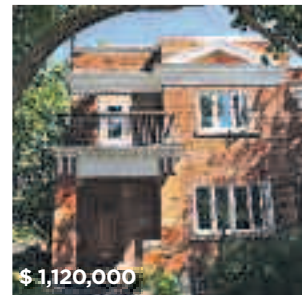
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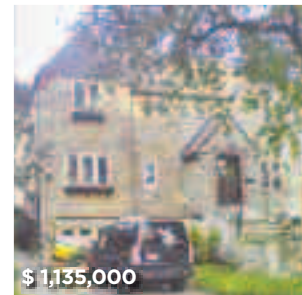
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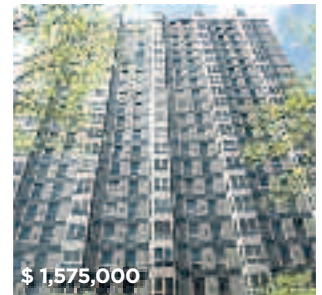
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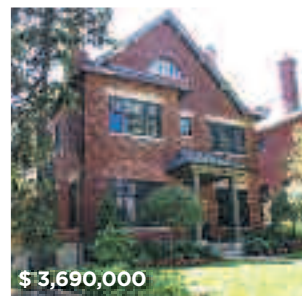
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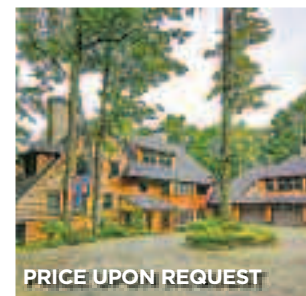
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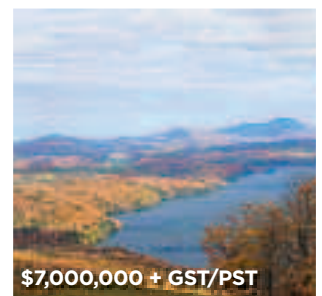
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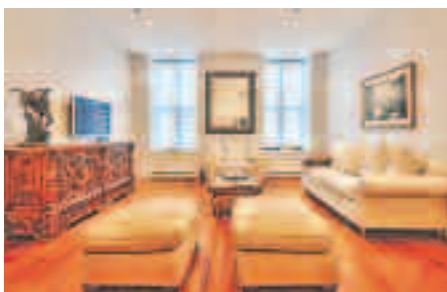
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Demolition impending for St. Catherine building

Y MARTIN C. BARRY

A three-storey garage at 4032 St. Catherine St., which until December 5 housed a Subaru car dealership, may soon be demolished, along with other commercial institutions, after getting a negative structural review from Quebec's building standards agency, the Régie du bâtiment du Québec (RBQ).

According to RBQ spokesman Sylvain Lamothe, the building, which also houses other businesses at street level, came

under the scrutiny of the RBQ in 2010. As a result, the agency asked the building's owner to produce an engineer's report at-testing to its structural integrity.

"We received a notice from the engineering firm in December 2011 to the effect that the floors above the ground level

had to be vacated for reasons of security, although the ground level could continue to be occupied," Lamothe told the *Independent*.

Although the report recommended that reinforcements to interior support columns be done *continued on p. 14*



An engineer's report recommends that the upper storeys of this building on St. Catherine St. no longer be used.

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Y to celebrate its centennial

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

Nearly 100 years to the day after the YMCA first opened a branch in Westmount, the Westmount Y will be launching a year-long centennial celebration with a cocktail party event on Thursday, January 26 in Studio 2 at the Y.

A 1912 old clipping from the defunct *Westmount News* records the official opening of the Westmount Y at the corner of Sherbrooke St. and Arlington Ave. on May 4 that year.

This May 4 at Victoria Hall in conjunction with the city of Westmount, the Y will be holding its 100th anniversary flagship event – the Centennial Gala – to which all members, staff, volunteers and the Westmount community at large are invited.

“Staying around for 100 years is an achievement in and of itself,” Gary White, director of the Westmount branch, said in an interview with the *Independent*. According to White, one of the goals the Westmount Y has set for itself in the com-

ing year is to raise \$100,000 for the centennial.

In addition to the launch and the gala, over the coming year the Westmount Y is planning a number of other centennial events. Starting at 8 pm on Friday, February 10, a fundraising Y kids’ sleepover will educate children on the history of the Westmount Y.

From Sunday, April 15 to Saturday, April 21, the Y will be holding a Fit Week with fundraisers at the same time.

On June 15 starting at 6 pm, the Westmount Y’s annual Volunteer BBQ will be “centennialized” with special décor and a special menu. On December 11, the Y will cap its centennial celebrations with a special multi-media presentation showcasing the year and with the announcement of campaign goal results. Finally on December 14 at 6 pm, the Westmount will thank all its staff and volunteers for their commitment with a special holiday staff and volunteer party.

See p. 1 for photo.

Centre Greene, others tagged

Multiple tags were found in graffiti on Centre Greene, 1090 Greene, January 10, Public Security officials said. Two days later, several tags were also found at 3001 St. Antoine and buildings to the west.

Anglade president of CAQ

Westmounter Dominique Anglade will be the first president of the Coalition avenir Québec (CAQ) provincial party, according to the party’s January 23 press release.

She will also run in the next provincial election.

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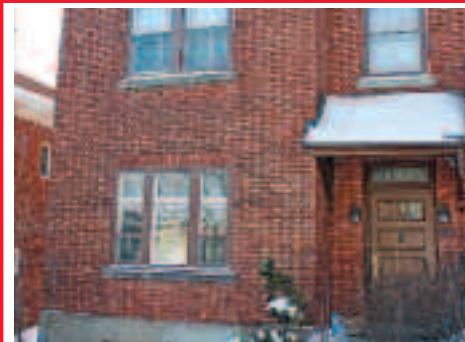
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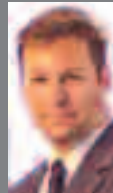
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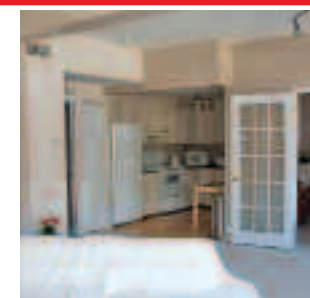
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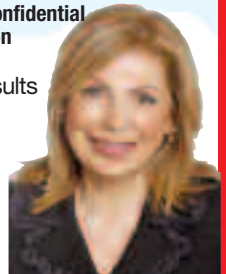
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Building demo

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if the building's upper levels were to continue being used, the car dealership left last year before any of the work was done.

Based on the appearance of some of its architectural characteristics, the building's construction could date from as early as the 1920s. Lamothe could not provide any additional information.

A cement logo embedded in a front wall high up near the roofline suggests that the building once served as a Packard dealership.

Lamothe said the RBQ received word that the building may be slated for demolition in the coming months.

According to Joanne Poirier, director of Westmount's Urban Planning, her department hasn't yet been asked for a permit to demolish the building. "We've been informed of the intention, but no request has been made," she said on January 18.



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Fado suffers from an unfortunate name. One quick look and you may think some funny guy christened this pudgy pup Fatso. If the moniker fits, right? Wrong.

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Fado

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Directions:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Butter a large rectangular baking dish. In a saucepan over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the flour and cook, stirring frequently, about 3 minutes.

Whisk in the milk and cook, stirring frequently until thickened, about 5 minutes. Whisk in the tomato paste. Add 1 1/2 cups of each cheese and stir until melted.

Season with salt, black pepper and cayenne. In a small bowl, stir together the panko and paprika. In a large bowl, combine the pasta and the cheese sauce then pour into the prepared baking dish. Top with the remaining cheeses then the panko mixture.

Bake until the cheeses are golden and bubbly, about 40 minutes. If the top becomes too dark, cover loosely with aluminum foil. Let stand 15 minutes before serving.

Creamy Beef Mushroom Stroganoff

Serves 4.

To make beef stroganoff, use 1 lb. cooked leftover steak, such as beef sirloin or tenderloin, cut into 1-inch cubes. Add to the sauce along with the broth.

Ingredients:

6 Tbs. (3/4 stick) unsalted butter
1 large shallot, thinly sliced
2 lb. fresh mushrooms sliced thin
2 Tbs. all-purpose flour
1 cup dry white wine
1 cup chicken or vegetable broth
1/2 cup sour cream
2 Tbsp. minced fresh flat-leaf parsley, plus

more for garnish

Salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste
1 lb. wide egg noodles or pappardelle pasta

Make the sauce: In a large fry pan over medium-high heat, melt the butter. Add the shallot and sauté until lightly golden, 2 to 3 minutes. Add the mushrooms and cook, stirring, until they have softened and released most of their liquid, about 5 minutes. Add the flour and stir to incorporate. Stir in the wine and broth and cook until most of the alcohol has evaporated, about 2 minutes. Remove from the heat, and stir in the sour cream and the 2 Tbsp. parsley. Season with salt and pepper.

Cook the pasta: Bring a large pot of water to a boil over high heat. Add 1 Tbsp. salt and the pasta to the boiling water. Cook, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking, until *al dente*, according to the package instructions. Drain, reserving about 1/2 cup of the cooking water. Add the pasta to the sauce and toss to combine. Warm briefly over low heat to blend the flavours. Add as much of the cooking water as needed to loosen the sauce, garnish with parsley and serve immediately.

Centre Greene annual meeting

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tions, which will include ensuring accessibility for people with reduced mobility.

The second HRSDC grant was for \$10,000, under the New Horizons for Seniors Program, to renovate the kitchen and sunroom. Its programming includes seniors' luncheons and a meals-on-wheels service, and the upgrades are now in progress.

Fundraising was also up in 2011, said fundraising chairperson Erica Bloom. Events like a book sale and garage sale earned \$34,000.

President Malcolm McCrae chaired the meeting that lasted 45 minutes. The agenda and reports were printed for members to pick up as they arrived. Chairs and tables were set up in advance, and the meeting began on time. A slate of directors had been prepared in advance, with one additional nomination from the floor. All board members were unanimously elected.

McCoy – during his executive director's report – reviewed Centre Greene's activities, which include a variety of social, recreational and cultural activities for area

residents of all ages. McCoy drew attention to the hard work of staff and board members, and an estimated 50 volunteers.

"He's done such a magnificent job," Michael Harrison said of McCoy, who began the position in August 2010. "He's really something else."

The 2011 annual operating budget for Centre Greene was \$216,000.

Westmount owns Centre Greene's building and leases it for \$1 per year – an agreement in place until 2090. The city also normally contributes up to \$2,000 annually to the centre's summer camps.

Stolen truck recovered

A stolen white truck was recovered outside 39 Stayner January 10, according to Public Security. It had already accumulated two parking tickets when someone called at 6:16 pm to complain about it. Public safety officers checked it out with police and said it had apparently been reported missing for a week. The owner was to pick it up.



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Historic site

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urban planning students through their masters' project on Westmount. They were Daniel Paquin and Jean-François van der Plancq.

It was followed up by an official request in 2003 by then mayor Karin Marks and reinforced by a letter in 2008, Poirier said.

"We wanted all of Westmount to be designated, but they chose this historic *arrondissement* as characteristic of the period between the city's rural and modern times."

She said the monuments board had dedicated a historian to delve into the municipality's development and architectural growth.

Poirier had been notified in August that the designation was pending and it received special mention from judges in the Communities in Bloom competition, as the *Independent* reported November 1, p. 3.

She said it could take two or three years before a commemorative plaque would be ready for mounting, most likely on city hall.

Architecture, preservation hailed

This year's selection of four significant historical communities is intended to show Canadians how architecture and social networks contributed to the building of Canada, states a news release from Parks Canada.

Accompanying material describes the Westmount historic district's "opulent architecture and landscape heritage" as characteristic of the architectural styles between 1890 and 1930, and reflecting "concerted efforts of members of the municipality who, from the early 20th century onwards, were keen to protect and preserve the features of their built environment. "What sets this historic district apart from others," it states, "is the harmonious integration of both its buildings and its urban design."

Noted is the awareness of residents for the importance of the quality of life in an urban setting as well as the design of buildings, often by "prominent architects, who contributed to maintaining the subtle charm of this area through their carefully planned work." Also mentioned is the early adoption of a city plan and an architectural and urban planning board to implement it.



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Richard Gwyn, author and journalist, reads from and discusses *Nation Maker - Sir John A. Macdonald: His Life, Our Times*, 12:30 pm at the Atwater Library. Free.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

• Benefit concert by **The Yellow Door Choir** for The Auxiliary of the Montreal General Hospital, 8 pm at Mountainside Church, organized by Westmounters Michael Cooper and Yvonne Mass. Tickets: \$20. Purchase them at the Montreal General's book nook, the 6th floor Hospitality Corner or by phoning 514.934.1934, ext 1934.

• **Yoga instruction for kids** aged 5 to 8 years old at Centre Greene, 10 to 11 am. Cost: \$10 drop-in or \$80 for 10 weeks. Info: 514.931.6202.

• Centre Greene **music morning** for all ages, 10 to 11 am. Cost: \$5 drop-in. 1090 Greene Ave.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Centre Greene **Lego club** for kids aged 3 and over, 10:30 am to 1 pm. Cost: \$3.50 drop-in. Info: www.centregreene.org.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

The Cummings Centre presents *A Matter of Size*, featuring four overweight friends in Israel fed up with dieting. 7 pm at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom. Cost: \$10 members, \$15 non-members. Info: 514.342.1234, ext. 7201.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

• Westmount's **winter carnival** until Saturday, February 4. Visit www.westmount.org.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

• **Bowser & Blue**, entertainment by Westmounter George Bowser and Rick Blue at Victoria Hall. Cocktails at 7 pm; Trowser & Bent at 7:45 pm; Bowser & Blue at 8

pm. Cash bar. Tickets: \$25 at the door or \$20 in advance at Victoria Hall.

• Westmounter **Bruce Roberts** offers a drawing workshop for adults, 1 to 4 pm at Victoria Hall. Cost: \$10; easels will be supplied. Register before January 31. Call 514.989.5226.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

The film *Grace, Milly, Lucy...child soldiers* plays at 12:30 pm at Victoria Hall. The NFB documentary explores the reintegration of Ugandan child soldiers into society. Followed by a discussion period (in French) with the director Raymonde Provencher. Free. Reserve: Community Events Office at Victoria Hall or call 514.989.5226.

Volunteers wanted at Y for reading, writing program for kids

The Westmount Y is looking for seniors with "a love of creative writing and reading, enthusiasm and patience" to work on a volunteer basis with students from grades 3 to 6 on reading and writing projects during the 10-week course.

Seniors will work with their student partners to create, write and edit poems, short stories and biographies, under the instructions of a monitor.

The Intergenerational Reading and Writing one-hour afternoon program starts Tuesday, February 7 and runs until Tuesday, April 24 at the Y (4585 Sherbrooke St.).

For information, contact Vanessa Valente at 514.931.8046, ext. 230.

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100 for Foy at Place K



Kathleen Foy (seated in the centre), a resident of the Place Kensington seniors' residence, had special guests when she celebrated her 100th birthday on January 19. Among the visitors (clockwise from top left) was her son-in-law, Quebec folk singer Gilles Vigneault, daughter-in-law Xarlianne, grandson Guillaume Vigneault, granddaughter Jessica Vigneault, as well as her daughter Alison and son Bruce.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

Bell conduit under repair



Contractors TranSelec Common work to repair a blocked underground Bell Canada conduit on de Maisonneuve Blvd. at the intersection of Claremont Ave. January 18. One of the workers cuts the asphalt pavement with a cutting tool while a back hoe with a pneumatic bit waits to pulverize concrete to expose the pipe containing the cables. Meanwhile, traffic was re-routed between Prince Albert and Claremont. The work was completed by January 21.

Photo: Robert J. Galbraith

Police looking for robber

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Robber toasts home robbery?

Police are looking for a suspect whom they believe downed a bottle of champagne while robbing a home on Grove Park.

The couple living in the home was away from January 4 to 8, while the premises were undergoing renovations. When they got back, they noticed their garage light was on.

"A neighbour told them their back door was open," said Pimentel, who added there was no sign of forced entry. "When they entered the home, everything was a

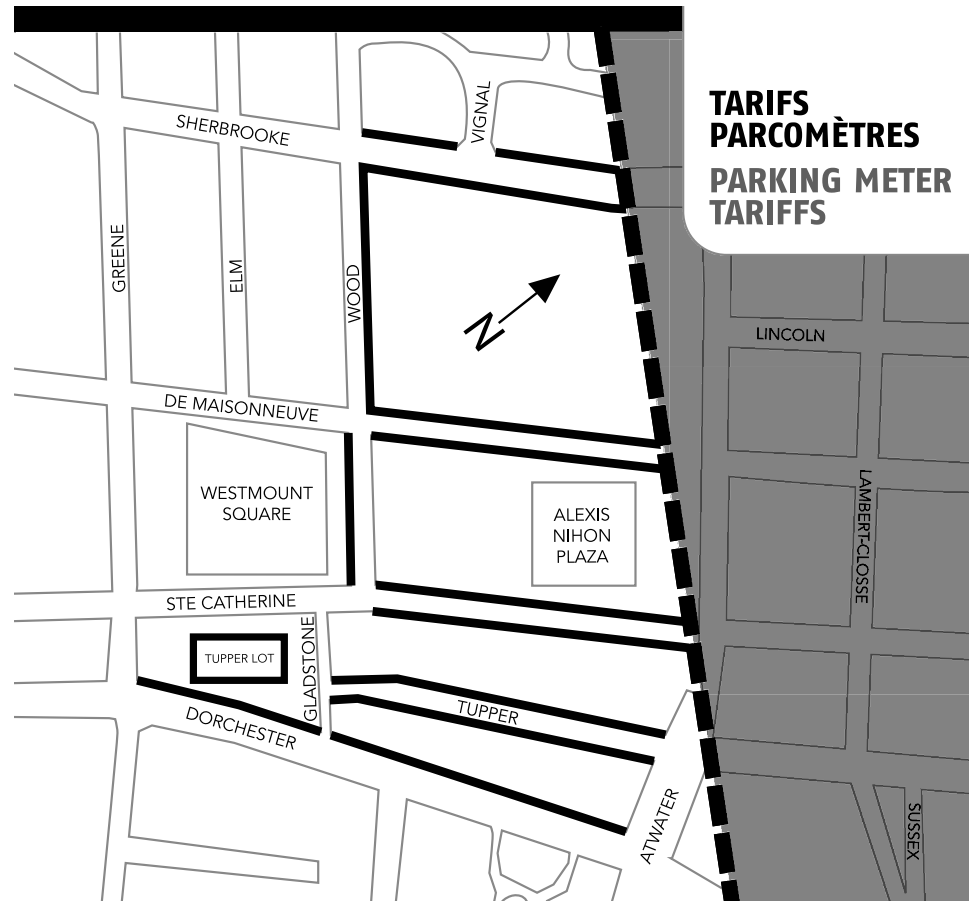
mess. Things were all over the place, and drawers and cupboard doors were open."

Missing from the home was a TV along with other electronic devices.

"We found some items in the house that we sent to our police lab for analysis," said Pimentel. "Those items include a black sweater, a cigarette butt and an empty champagne bottle."

Pimentel said investigators are awaiting results from the lab, and that they have no suspects at this point.

"It's always better to have someone staying in your home if it's undergoing renovations," he said. "Always use a reputable company and try to get references from people you know."



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Règlement 1420 en vigueur à partir du 24 janvier 2012

Nous vous informons que le nouveau tarif de **3,00 \$ l'heure** est en vigueur dans les zones indiquées en gras sur le plan ci-dessus.

By-Law 1420 in effect as of January 24, 2012

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Trent – tax letter

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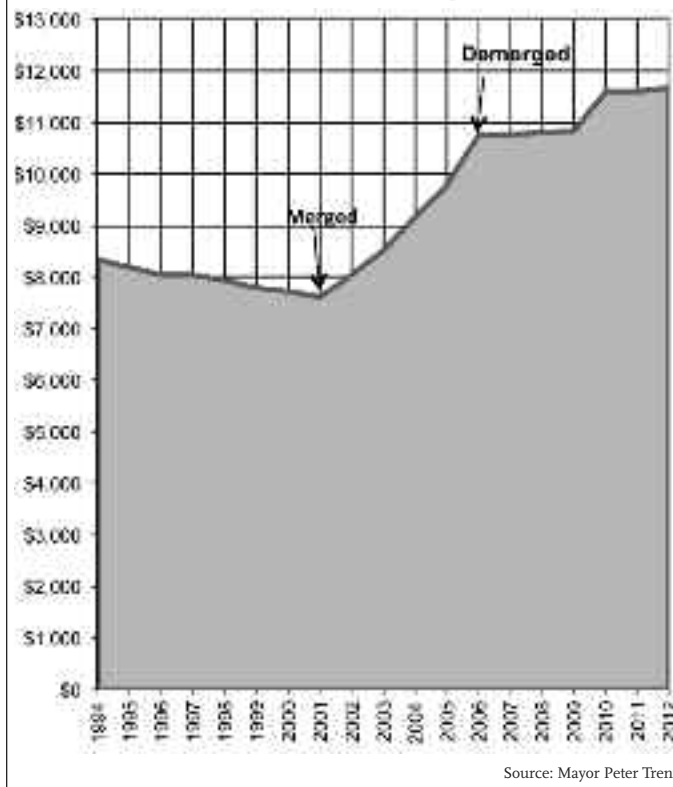
While the committee includes representatives from the city of Montreal and the Union of Quebec Municipalities (UMQ), “it’s lacking strong political direction,” Trent said. But at least it’s a start and reflects a realization that this is an issue to be working on.”

For the third year in a row, he explains in the letter, “runaway employee pension costs” make up the lion’s share of spending increases for island-wide costs charged to Westmount by the city Montreal. These include police, fire and public transit.

18-year comparison

An accompanying graph illustrates in 2012 dollars how Westmount taxes decreased 8 percent from 1994 to 2001 before the merger with Montreal but climbed “an eye-popping” 41 percent during the merger years until de-merger in 2006. It shows a further 7 percent increase in 2010 tied, according to

Property taxes charged to the average Westmount single-family dwelling (inflation-adjusted, 2012 dollars)



Trent, to a rise in island-wide services run by Montreal.

Trent referred to an already announced 2-percent increase in 2014 to help pay for the new arena project saying: “These taxes will be invested in something of use to Westmounters, while being dwarfed by previous tax increases for which we got no benefit.”

This year’s tax bills are payable in two installments, due March 1 and June 1 (see December 21, p. 1).

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JO SIMONETTI

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But though my love for you is limitless, so too is my appetite. And so, I must confess: I have flirted with your female counterparts.

Fluted mini skirts

How could I resist, when Diane’s fluted midi skirts make me feel like a queen? When Filippa’s dresses transform me into an invincible warrior princess?

And you, D&G, how can I put into words the deep affection I feel for you? Your black wool coat with the fuschia lining sends me soaring. You’re next on my list.

Thanks to Sharyn Scott, I’m not talking about a bucket list. I’m talking about your everyday run-of-the-mill shopping list: grain-fed chicken, gluten-free bread, soy milk, Prada.

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Scott and her knowledgeable staff create a welcoming atmosphere, where clients are just as likely to drop in for a chat as they are to stock up on haute couture.

Part of my life

Visiting Sharyn Scott is never just about shopping for me. It’s become part of my life, something I do because I want to, not because I need a new pair of Louboutins (hmm, that reminds me...). I go just to say hello, get a dose of her nurturing advice and bask in her tireless optimism. I sometimes walk in with a near-empty trough of latte and my spirits, low but always emerge triumphant with a garment bag full of designer fashions and a fresh perspective.

Now then, who will escort me to my event this Sunday? Diane Von Furstenberg and her purple silk wrap-around blouse? Hugo Boss and his sleek tailored tuxedo? Or Coco herself with her black wool corseted skirt? Decisions, decisions...

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Public vet sessions on pet issues in the works

Cars, bike, damaged in snow removal



9 Lives

Lysanne Fowler

Hello dear readers! I am looking for your ideas.

In my last column of 2011, I wrote that I was working on a series of veterinary information sessions in Westmount as a

new volunteer neighbourhood program in 2012. I am so pleased to say that people have stopped me to give me ideas and called me to leave messages with subjects that they would like to see addressed.

This is wonderful, and gives me a basis to work on with the veterinarians and other professionals who will be participating.

So, to give all Westmounters an opportunity to have their subject of choice addressed, please let me know what subjects you would like presented and discussed.

You can leave me a message on my cell phone at 514.909.7186 with your suggestions.

Right now, the program covers these basic subjects in no particular order, depending on the speakers scheduling availability: pet health, including annual exams; vaccinations; nutrition; aging; arthritis; obesity; cardiology; orthopedics; optometry and alternative/holistic medicine.

We will also address the human side of pet ownership: adoption, fostering, integration with children, integration with other pets, allergies, training, exercise, accidents, poisons and bereavement.

I am looking forward to your thoughts.

Your neighbour, Lysanne

A cedar hedge, bicycle and at least three cars were known to have been damaged during snow clearing operations after the first significant snowstorms of the winter, according to Public Security reports. These were back-to-back events January 12 and 13.

As well, numerous cars had to be towed out of snow removal zones while mechanical problems required the towing of a city salt truck itself.

In the wake of these incidents, Public Security officials repeated a recent request to residents from Public Works personnel to watch for snow removal signs and to move any obstacles from the path of side-walk plows.

In one incident, it was *continued on p. 21*



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AVIS D'ADOPTION

RÈGLEMENT 1419

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Ce règlement a pour objet de spécifier la durée des travaux autorisés par un permis de construction en éliminant la distinction entre les autorisations pour les travaux extérieurs (18 mois) et les travaux intérieurs (actuellement de 12 mois) applicables à l'ensemble du territoire.

Ce règlement entre en vigueur conformément à la loi.

Toute personne intéressée peut consulter ce règlement sur le site web de la ville : www.westmount.org et en obtenir copie 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, Québec, ce 24 janvier 2012.

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BY-LAW 1419

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all who may be concerned that By-law 1419 entitled "**BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES BY-LAW 1300**" was adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount at a regular sitting held at City Hall on January 16, 2012.

The object of this by-law is to specify the duration of work authorized by a building permit by eliminating the distinction between permits for exterior work (18 months) and interior work (currently 12 months) applying throughout the entire territory.

This by-law comes into force in accordance with the law.

Any interested person may consult the said by-law on the City's website: www.westmount.org and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the City Clerk, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Quebec, from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this January 24, 2012.

Mario Gerbeau

Greffier / City Clerk



Ville de Westmount

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L'objet de ce règlement consiste à augmenter les tarifs portant sur l'utilisation de certains parcomètres.

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The object of this by-law is to increase some parking meters rates.

This by-law shall come into force according to law.

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Doc Charney dances for MUHC

BY MARLENE EISNER

Dr. Dara Charney was never really a fan of the TV hit, *Dancing with the Stars*. But since the fall, the Westmount resident has been watching YouTube videos of the show, casting a critical eye at the dance routines.

Charney, director of the McGill RUIS Addiction Program and a psychiatrist at the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) Addictions Unit, is one of 10 local doctors pairing up with instructors from Arthur Murray Dance School to participate in the MUHC's fundraiser, *Dancing with the Docs*.

Early last fall, Charney was recommended by some colleagues to the MUHC foundation as a possible candidate for the event. Its unusual format and element of fun convinced Charney to throw her hat into the ring.

"Most hospitals have their own foundations. This is the first time all the foundations are collaborating for one large fundraising event, representing the different missions of the MUHC. So I am representing the mental health and addiction mission."

Charney, who is in her '40s, is training with professional dance instructor Dayan Mantecon, and together, they will perform a disco routine that the doctor has had to learn in 10, 45-minute lessons.

"I don't have a lot of dance experience, but I figured something fast paced would be fun and it's been a challenge," she said.

"First I had to learn the steps, and then the choreography. It's an extremely fast routine. I think we're both a little out of breath at the end of it. It's been really fun."

Charney grew up in Westmount, went to St. George's high school, graduated magna cum laude from Harvard and obtained her MD from McGill University, where she remained during her psychiatry residency and addiction psychiatry fel-

lowship. In front of an audience that will include her husband, two children, her mother, colleagues and perhaps some friends, she will show her colours Saturday, February 4 at Metropolis.

A panel of celebrity judges includes ballroom dance champion Jean-Marc Généreux, a choreographer on the US competition reality show *So You Think You*

Can Dance and a judge on the Canadian version; CTV news anchor Mutsumi Takahashi; CJAD 800 morning man Andrew Carter; and international dance champion Meryem Pearson.

All proceeds from the night go to The Best Care for Life Campaign of the MUHC.

Hedge damaged

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a bicycle fastened to a pole on Abbott Ave. that was struck by a sidewalk plow January 13 at 5:15 pm, bending the front wheel and damaging the brake bar.

Regardless of snow removal, public safety officers cited a regulation in the city's traffic By-law 726 (Section 67) stating that "No person shall leave a bicycle in such a place as to obstruct the passage of pedestrians or other vehicles."

The day before, a sidewalk plow was reported to have damaged a cedar hedge at

21 Barat Rd.

Several of the incidents took place during snow loading on January 16. One car was damaged on Abbott while another that had been left in a snow removal zone on Sunnyside had a fender and mirror "clipped" by a sidewalk plow. The area was reported to have been signed for no-parking the previous day at 2:08 pm.

The same day, a car's windshield was shattered as the Mercedes, heading north on Clarke at Anwoth, attempted to pass a snow blower in operation. The blades of a city salt truck also jammed at Atwater and Tupper immobilizing the vehicle which had to be towed back to the Public Works yard.

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*Social Notes
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VERONICA REDGRAVE

Westmounter **Alvin Segal**, chair and CEO of Peerless Clothing, was honoured at the Segal Cancer Centre's 5th anniversary gala on November 16. (Yes, ages ago, but so many soirées and so little time!) Segal was honoured for his philanthropic contributions to many organizations and the largest private donation in history to the Jewish General Hospital (JGH).

Attending with his new bride, the lovely **Emmelle**, Segal was thrilled that the event sold out. Tables of 10 at \$10,000 went quickly; individual tickets were \$500.

He praised Westmount res co-chairs **Tony Loffreda** (attending with his wife **Angie**), **Sonny Gordon** (with **Hanka**) and **Joel Segal** (with **Eileen**).

Honorary chairs were Westmounter **Leo Kolber**, attending with **Roni Gandell**; McGill chancellor **Arnold Steinberg**, with his wife, acclaimed author **Blema**; and **Lu-**

cien Bouchard.

Over 650 glam guests arrived at Windsor Station for this elegant black tie eve. The soirée was coordinated by **Annette Goldman**, the Jewish General Hospital Foundation, and designed by **Michael Caplan** and **Danielle Bitton**.

Performances by l'École supérieure de ballet du Québec, **Anna McGarrigle**, **Martha Wainwright** and **Lily Lankin**, complemented a moving video of testimonials by patients.

Guests included Westmounter **Richard Dubrovsky**, Jewish General Hospital pres, and his wife **Elaine**; **Rucsandra Calin** from Ritz-Carlton Residences; JGH exec director **Hartley Stern**; Segal Centre Cancer Center director/oncologist **Gerald Batist** (with wife **Lynn**); and JGH Foundation chair and Westmounter **Allen Rubin** with his wife **Sarah**.

Gala committee members noted were Westmounters **Jeff Segel** (with his wife **Pauline**); **Hillel Greenbaum**, **Terry Kaspi-Elituv**; **Wendy Spatzner** (with husband **Mark**), as well as **Joy Bultz** (and **Jeff**), **Joyce Tanner** (and **Marvin**), and **Elliot Lifson** (and **Carol**).

The event raised \$1.6 million to benefit

the Segal Cancer Centre of the Jewish General Hospital.

Kindly let us know about events for the

Indie's spring social calendar by February 22. Please send event information, date, place and ticket to indiesocialnotes@gmail.com.



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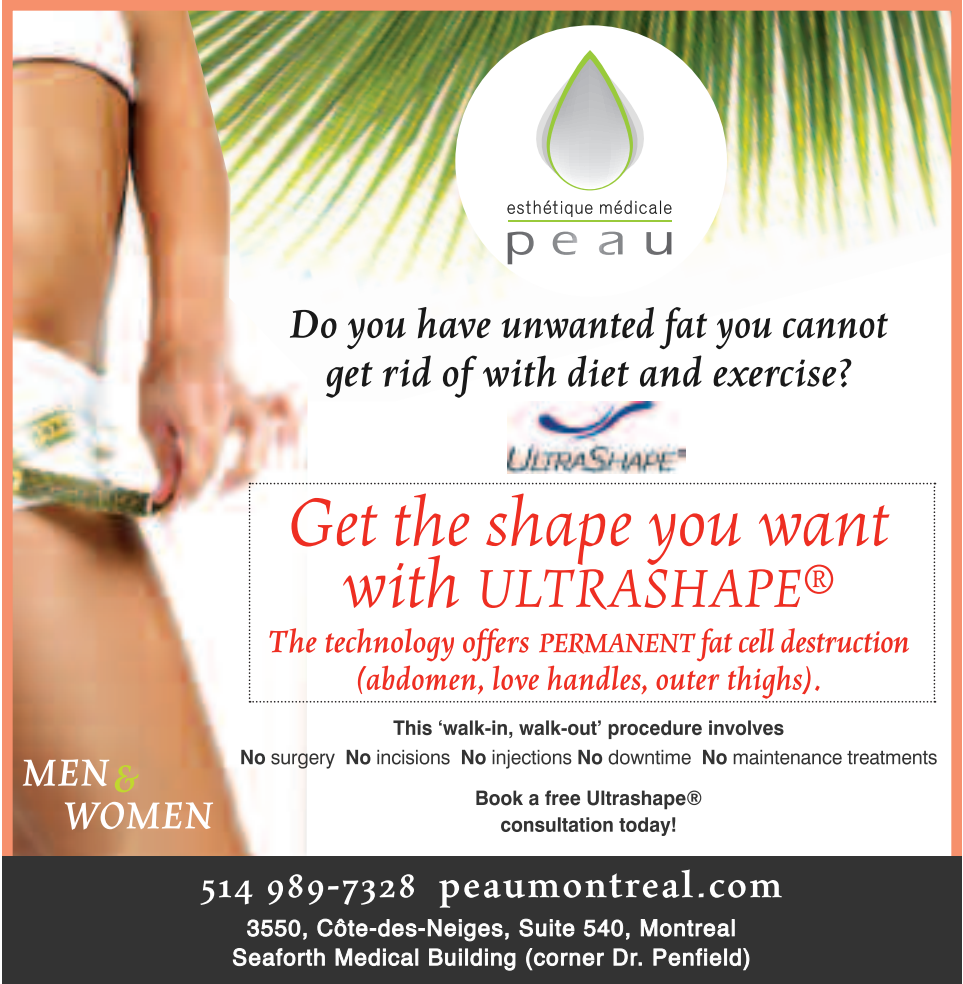
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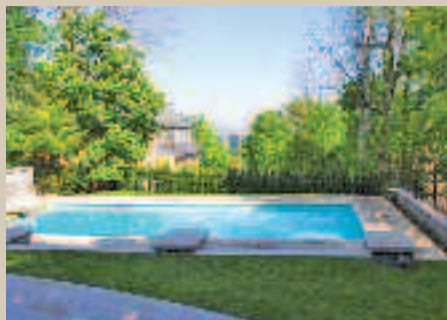
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