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## Public Security recruits 8 more patrollers for summer

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Eight more Public Security patrollers have taken to the road and parks to boost the force's increased summer needs for enforcing by-laws, carrying out summer programs and answering a host of seasonal complaints that include noisy parties, dogs off leash, graffiti, parks curfews,

construction site issues and incidents at Summit lookout and woods.

"Everything gets busier in the summer," said assistant director Greg McBain.

The additional personnel are also needed to fill holiday gaps and replace two of the regular public safety officers who will be deployed to the bike patrol starting up this week.

The new recruits include five auxiliary public safety officers and three parks cadets.

The five auxiliary PSOs comprise three recent graduates from police technology, a parking inspector and a former member of the public security operation in Beaconsfield.

The three parks cadets ..... are students in police *continued on p. 9*



Helping at the city's plant exchange of perennials May 16 in front of the conservatory are, from left: volunteer Gabrielle Pilot, city horticulture and arboriculture inspector Jayme Gerbrandt, and volunteers Tamara Lynch-Dalgleish and Alison Sorbie. See story, p. 3.

Photo: Laureen Sweeney

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### Old arena no longer available in case of rain

## Family Day to be outside Saturday – rain or shine

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Only a thunder storm or very heavy rain would wash out the city's 37th annual Family Day this Saturday, May 26 in Westmount Park, according to Sports and Recreation officials. The event takes place from 10 am to 4 pm.

With the usual rain venue at the arena on the verge of demolition, "It's sunshine

or bust," said Claude Danis, program and community services coordinator. "We're holding it in the park no matter what – except a thunder storm."

So, while the city's best attended event – usually in the thousands – has evolved through the years with many new twists, this is the first time the stakes have been so high weather-wise. ....

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# Vanguard walks for cancer



The entire student body of Vanguard Intercultural School set off on its annual walk for cancer research the morning of May 15 from its campus on Metcalfe. Students wore pink or carried balloons of the same colour and collected money for the CURE Foundation for breast cancer. Afterwards, they engaged in talks about health topics with their phys. ed teachers, such as a healthy diet or yoga.

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## Plant sale raises \$700 to redo conservatory courtyard

# Sun shines for outdoor plant exchange, sale

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

First it was hail. Then there was a rain storm. But just in time for the city's annual exchange and sale of perennials to be set up outside the conservatory May 16, the sun began to shine. And, many noted, it couldn't have been a more fitting setting for the event.

For the first time it was being held outside and at a new venue resulting from closure of the arena, where the event had always taken place.

In the end, not only did people share the plants from their own gardens, but a total of \$710 was reported raised with more expected from the sale of remaining plants at Family Day, Saturday, May 26.

The proceeds will be used to redo garden beds and plantings in the very courtyard where the event took place, announced Councillor Cynthia Lulham, who chairs the city's Horticultural Advisory Committee (HAC), which organized the event.

Volunteers from the Westmount Horti-

cultural Society helped out at the exchange and sale and will also participate in the redoing of the courtyard.

As part of the courtyard's renewal, plantings will be rearranged and new ones added with the volunteer assistance of Westmount landscape architect Myke Hodgins, Lulham explained.

The courtyard between the Westmount Public Library and Victoria Hall has gone

through two evolutions since its creation in 1995 as part of the library's refurbishment when it was initially laid out in pea gravel. The central portion was later grassed over. But now, she said, the trees need pruning, garden beds should be raised, and shrubs and plants re-organized.

See photo, p. 1.

## Shri Yoga turns 1



In the year since Barrie Risman, right, and Mona Keddy opened their community-based yoga studio at the corner of Sherbrooke St. and Victoria Ave., they say the success of the venture has surpassed their expectations. On May 12, they celebrated their first anniversary with an evening program that included an Indian buffet, a yoga demonstration by Shri Yoga teachers and live music.

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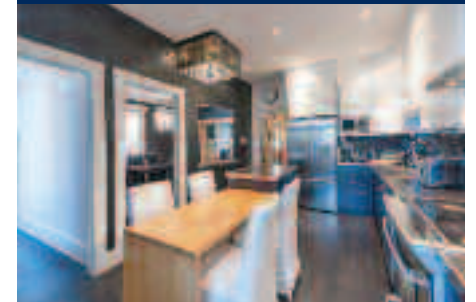


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## Post office thief now an RCMP case

BY DAVID GOLDBERG

The RCMP is hunting down a suspect who stole pre-paid envelopes from the Canada Post office at 4895 Sherbrooke St., corner Prince Albert.

The incident took place at 2:20 pm on May 11. Police say the post office employees recognized the suspect from mug shots they keep of known offenders.

"There was a female in the post office asking questions of one of the employees, and when he was distracted, the suspect grabbed seven packs of pre-paid envelopes and placed them under his jacket," said Constable Adalbert Pimentel. "We're not sure if the woman was working with the suspect or if she was just a customer."

A second employee saw the theft take place, and he chased the suspect as he fled the scene.

"The suspect ran to the Vendôme Metro station, but the employee lost him there," said Pimentel.

The suspect is already wanted for similar offences by the RCMP. The case has been handed over to the Mounties, given the federal aspect.

### *A pair of residential break-ins*

Two homes in Westmount were broken into last week, although it appears both homeowners got off lightly.

A 59-year-old who lives on Montrose got a phone call from his alarm company around 1:30 pm on May 15, saying his home had been broken into. When he arrived at his residence, he noticed that someone had forced open his back door.

"Officers found a bag on the floor that belonged to the suspect, but nothing was taken from the home," said Pimentel. "There was also an alarm speaker that was ripped off the wall and lying on the ground."

It is possible that the alarm scared off the suspect before he had a chance to steal anything.

The second break-in happened sometime between 7 am on May 11 and 1 pm on May 12 at a home on Edgehill. The 71-year-old resident discovered someone broke into his home through a second-floor window, approximately seven meters off the ground.

"It's possible the suspect climbed up using a nearby fence," said Pimentel. "He .....

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# Squirrel incidents raise suspicions on Lexington

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The recent discovery of a dead squirrel and another ailing one the next day, both in the back yard of a house on Lexington, is raising concerns of the resident that they may have been poisoned.

"Since then, there has been no wildlife around, not even birds," said Rosemarie Namy, who called Public Security on both occasions.

There could be many reasons why the squirrels became sick or died, however, and there is no evidence at this time to suggest poisoning, Public Security officials told the *Independent*.

When the first squirrel was found "completely dead" on May 6, Namy said, it had a hole in its body.

The next day, she discovered another one lying motionless on the ground. When she approached it, "it crawled away," she said. "A crow was picking at it. It was quite frightening."

While she acknowledges that squirrels in the area have become quite a nuisance, nevertheless "they are part of nature." She hopes that if other neighbours are also experiencing sick or dead squirrels, they too will come forward.

## Neighbour discovers dead squirrel

She knows of one other dead squirrel found by a neighbour, but that was earlier this spring. Another was found by a resident of Upper Belmont.

The discovery of dead squirrels does not necessarily mean that they were poisoned, accidentally or deliberately, said assistant Public Security director Greg McBain.

The squirrels could have fallen from a tree, been hit on the street, become sick or died accidentally. "There are many reasons why wild animals are found dead, including fights with other animals."

While the city has clear regulations that prohibit the harming of any birds by any means, none appear to expressly cover the poisoning of squirrels, according to city officials.

## Food laced with poison could be enforced under nuisance by-law

That is, unless the squirrels were fed with food laced in poison, which could then be enforced under nuisance By-law 1034, which prohibits the feeding of squirrels.

Assistant city clerk Nancy Gagnon said

that provincial or federal regulations might cover the issue but that the city would have no jurisdiction in enforcing them.

Rat poisons, for example, must be used according to the label but it would be very difficult for the city to control deliberate or careless use of such products, which might lead to their direct or indirect consumption by wildlife or domestic animals.

On the other hand, Westmount laws against poisoning or injuring any bird dates back to at least 1909 when the good morals By-law 196 deemed it illegal to shoot or "trap, catch or kill, wound or otherwise injure...any birds of any kind" or carry away their eggs or "the young" from a nest.

The same prohibition against harming birds is contained in the nuisance By-law 1034, which also outlaws "the use of any substance ... which constitutes a danger to the health or safety of the public, in order to prevent or control the perching, nesting and/or roosting of any bird."



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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A CÔTE BIKE PATH WON'T BE PICTURE OF SAFETY

Regarding "More pleas for bike path on Côte Rd.?" (May 15, p. 10), for what it's worth, *all* the cyclists I have seen on Côte St. Antoine opposite Murray Park were going downhill, i.e. the wrong way on a one-way street. A bike path probably won't change that. This has implications where safety is concerned.

JEAN TURGEON, MOUNT STEPHEN AVE.

## RADIATION LIMITS INACCURATE

When reviewing different standards for maximum permissible leakage radiation from microwave ovens, it is necessary to consider whether they apply to an empty oven or an oven typically loaded with a precisely specified amount of water at a specified starting temperature and placed in a standardized container.

Furthermore, it is very important to take into account the specifications for the instrumentation used to make the measurements, its distance from the oven and its orientation with respect to the oven door, for example directly in front or somewhat off centre and perhaps above or below, etc.

Leakage measurements made on the same oven in different countries could

yield widely different values in microwatts per square centimeter unless all the standardized conditions of measurement happened to be identical in all respects.

Therefore, radiation limits quoted in a letter by Megan Durnford ("When will Canada update microwave exposure limit?" May 15, p. 6) are not only incorrect, but meaningless and cannot be compared because they were not necessarily undertaken with identical instrumentation and under identical conditions of measurement, such as oven loading.

When microwave ovens are operated with a test load of 275 ml of water inside the oven, the requirement of Canada's legislation "Radiation emitting devices regulations – C.R.C., c. 1370" is that microwave leakage must not exceed 1 mw/sq.cm. at any location 5 cm away from the outside surface of the oven.

JOHN DOREY, VICTORIA AVE.

## THUMBS UP TO NEW PLANT EXCHANGE VENUE

Congratulations to the Westmount plant exchange organizers! I thought the venue outside the conservatory was most appropriate – a pretty setting, and the weather even cooperated.

I have been going to the plant exchange for over 10 years, and every year there are some plants to tempt me. It has become a

habit now.

I hope to see the plant exchange in the same location next year. Happy gardening.

BEVERLEY HUTCHISON, KITCHENER AVE.

## MORE INSPIRING LANDSCAPING NEEDED FOR SUPERHOSPITAL

In reference to the new superhospital and its lawns with stiff rows of trees – a dreary, uninspiring sight.

Instead, a landscape and garden designer specializing in flower gardens should be hired to design a flower garden with bushes and trees here and there that will have vivid fall colours, and apple tree and Japanese blossoms in the spring.

The garden should have winding flower

beds and bushes and winding walking paths. No stiff flower beds.

In the fall, a variety of spring bulbs planted like snow drops, bluebells, crocuses, daffodils, hyacinths, tulips– long- and short-stemmed that bloom at different times.

The vivid colours of the flowers should uplift the spirits of the patients and visitors alike.

Terminally ill patients should have rooms looking out on the garden. Patients in wheelchairs and visitors could walk along the winding paths and sit down on benches.

The tunnels connecting the different pavilions could have moving sidewalks to facilitate patients who would otherwise have to walk back and forth between them.

CAROLA GURBAND, FORT ST.

## READER SAD ABOUT TREES



Academy Rd. resident George Ritter: "It's sadly commonplace, sometimes necessary, but always heart-wrenching to see mature trees suffer a chainsaw massacre." He took this photo May 10.

## FP reports

# Empress proposes, Wallenberg honoured and dog run moved

In NDG, the *Free Press* reported that the Empress Cultural Centre group unveiled at \$6-million proposal for the former Cinema V. Two unpublicized proposals have also been submitted to the borough for consideration.

In Côte St. Luc, the paper reported that Bialik High School held an event to commemorate the 100th birthday of Holocaust hero Raoul Wallenberg.

In Hampstead, the paper reported that the future of the former dog run site in Langhorne Park is not yet set. The dog run itself was moved to Hampstead Park when the Macdonald firehall, next to Langhorne Park, was sold for a condo development, Hampstead's first.

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## Setting the table for The Montreal Children's Library



Hainya Wiseman hosted a fundraiser at her Westmount Square penthouse apartment on May 12 to benefit The Montreal Children's Library. The attendees of the Saturday luncheon took part in a tour and lecture on Wiseman's assortment of table settings, featuring heritage international tableware and linens. The \$75-ticket event raised \$3,175 for the library, which has a branch housed in the Atwater Library. From left: Lorraine Deley, Marian Burke, Cheryl Stenason, Margo Charlton, Angela Estwick, Amanda Fritz, Linda Miller Eubank, Hainya Wiseman, Norie Wasserman and Angela Di Virgilio.

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# Rigelhof addresses Rotary on CanLit. and GreekDram.

By MARTIN C. BARRY

Mention anything to do with Greek theatre and Terry Rigelhof will talk at great length.

Rigelhof, who taught humanities for years at Dawson College before retiring, is the author of more than a half dozen books.

His latest is *Hooked on Canadian Books: The Good, the Better, and the Best Canadian Novels since 1984*.

“Don’t get me started on Greek theatre – I think Greek theatre is great,” he told members of the Rotary Club of Westmount when he addressed them on May 16 during their weekly lunchtime meeting.

Rigelhof, who is an expert in Greek drama, was reminded by a Rotarian that several weeks ago Mayor Peter Trent used the expression “Greek chorus” when referring to a wave of opposition to the city’s plans to build a new recreation centre next to Westmount Park.

Rigelhof said that the sense in which Trent used the word “chorus” is defined in the Oxford dictionary as a situation in which a group of people all echo one an-



Westmount author Terry Rigelhof addressed the Rotary Club of Westmount on May 16.

other.

He said that the role of the Greek chorus, on the other hand, is considerably different and more elaborate. Among other things, the members of a Greek chorus comment on the action in a play, while offering a sense of spectacle, providing the main actors with a break, and offering background information.

But the Rotarian insisted: what did Rigelhof think of the mayor’s usage?

“I’m just saying what I understand the usage to be,” he answered. “I’m a cranky academic,

or try not to be a cranky academic. But I don’t go around correcting punctuation in library books with a red pencil.”

While talking about his new book, Rigelhof recommended two promising Canadian fiction writers: Will Ferguson, who wrote *419*, a novel about financial fraud originating in Nigeria, and Alix Ohlin, a Trafalgar School graduate, who was described by Rigelhof as “the next big thing in North American literature.”

## Recycling onto another property

A resident of Upper Bellevue complained to Public Security May 9 that someone had placed dark plastic garbage bags of garden debris on her property. They were not her gardener’s bags. Under the city’s new waste management by-law, only paper garden bags may be used. Public Works was called to remove them given that the non-conforming bags would not otherwise be collected.

## Remembering Neil McKenty



Photo: Isaac Olson

Radio broadcaster for CJAD’s Exchange phone-in show, former Jesuit and author Neil McKenty died May 12 at the Montreal General Hospital. Among his projects in retirement were an autobiography (*The Inside Story*), a history of the Laurentian Lodge Club (*Skiing Legends and the Laurentian Lodge Club*)

and fundraising for the DESTA Black Youth Network (see “McKenty pitches in,” June 9, 2009, p. 17). He was 87.

Funeral services were to be held at the Côte des Neiges Funeral Home on May 19, after press time. He is survived by his wife Catharine.

## Police

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searched the rooms on the second floor, but the victim told us he doesn’t believe anything was taken.”



### Car goes missing


A Westmount woman awoke to find her 2008 grey Toyota Highlander had gone missing at 7:35 am on May 16.

The car was parked on Grosvenor at 8:15 pm on May 15. Police say there was no sign of forced entry.

“We didn’t find any glass from broken windows on the ground,” said Pimentel.

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# Police starting bike-theft prevention program

BY DAVID GOLDBERG

Station 12 police are starting a new program to prevent bike thefts in the city, one which will be ongoing throughout the year.

Called “Projet Numéro,” the project will begin at the Family Day celebrations at Westmount Park on Saturday, May 26. Residents are asked to bring their bike as well identification.

“We will then give them a document to fill out that includes their personal information, a description of the bike and their contact information,” said Constable Adalbert Pimentel. “We then issue them a number, which we engrave on a bike and place an SPVM sticker that cannot be removed without damaging the bike.”

The number can then be used if the bike is recovered after being lost or stolen. And, Pimentel said, the number is more effective than a bike’s serial number.

“Many bike manufacturers use the same serial numbers on some models, so it makes it difficult for us,” said Pimentel. “This number is only used by the police,

so we believe it’s a more effective system.”

After Family Day, residents can bring their bikes to Station 12 (21 Stanton), where the police will give them the documents and lend them an engraver.

“When they’re done, they bring us back the documents and the engraver, and the number will be entered in our computers,” said Pimentel, who also offered these safety tips for bike owners.

“Always lock your bike, and if your front wheel is removable, lock it to the frame of your bike. If your seat is removable, take it with you and don’t leave your bike locked in one location for long periods of time.”

## Student painters warned

Public safety officers warned student painters on Renfrew Ave. against going door-to-door without a city permit May 9. A resident complained to Public Security around 7:45 pm.

# Takacsy, Antoniazzi gold medalists in GMAA tennis tourney



Westmounter Julia Takacsy, left, and doubles Midget tennis partner Alexa Antoniazzi after their gold medal win at the GMAA tennis championship. Both are grade 9 students at The Study. They defeated a team from LCC. Also a gold medal winner was The Study’s Sarah Petrecca in the singles category. The tournament took place at Club Côte de Liesse on May 10.

Photo courtesy of The Study

# PSU hires students for park patrol

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technology, correctional intervention and criminology/policing. They are assigned to foot patrol in Westmount and Murray parks, which also will be patrolled as usual by PSOs.

Special summer programs include night checks of houses looking for telltale signs of absence, checks for address visibility and requests for special passing attention at unoccupied houses, especially during the peak vacation period.

## Swinging in the park

Four Westmount residents, who were described as approaching their twenties, were warned about the midnight parks curfew May 10 while they played on playground swings in Murray Park, Public Security officials said. A nearby resident heard screaming at 12:07 am and thought someone was being attacked.

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**Purses stolen at summit**

Two purses were stolen from a parked car broken into May 12 on Oakland near Summit Circle, public safety officers said. A passerby had spotted the rear window smashed on the station wagon and alerted Public Security.

When officers arrived, two women were emerging from the woods and discovered their purses gone. They had hidden them in the trunk but someone must have seen them doing it, officials said. Among the missing items was a passport belonging to an apparent visitor from Delaware.

**Coexisting with urban wildlife****Adventures in Urban Farming**

MARCI BABINEAU

wood to find a mother skunk suckling several babies. Still I thought it was a good idea to dig a little pond and plant more fruit and nut trees. In June my cherry tree is full of laughing squirrels and in July the raccoons are fishing in the pond.

The squirrels are the biggest destroyers of vegetation and abusers of vegetables. There is no place they cannot go. When I began to grow vegetables on our roof I thought I might have finally outsmarted them. Ridicules. They particularly like to snap the necks of sunflowers and break the flowering ends of tomatoes and get into the beds right after I have planted seeds and mess about.

However, I have come to observe that they are most interested in the garden when I have just changed something – when I have seeded, transplanted or otherwise been messing about in there myself. They are much less interested in my established blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. So I have to ask, “Is it territorial?” Once I am out in the garden on a regular basis, they seem to back off a bit.

And as much as I curse them when I find a prized eggplant has been plucked before its prime and wantonly chewed on, I am working on the mindset that we are in this game together – kind of like raising teenagers. Each year, the harvest from my little urban patch increases, despite the obstacles. In the meantime, McGill has an interesting site for different coexistent remedies for helping us through with our furry and feathered neighbours.

<http://unis.mcgill.ca/en/uw/help.html#rep>.

*Marci Babineau is a long-time organic gardener, and keeps hens and bees in her urban garden in Westmount. You can reach her at [sustainthislife@gmail.com](mailto:sustainthislife@gmail.com).*

The term “urban wildlife” is a funny contradiction in terms. The squirrels, gophers, raccoons, skunks and birds, etc., might invoke a vision of the noble self-sufficient animal, living hand to mouth on its wits under some rock or in a tree, yet they have no natural predators, unless you count cars or the odd cat or dog.

We are forbidden to feed them, yet they are only living in and around our homes because of the food we provide them. The Wiki page shows a picture of a squirrel with the following caption: “Urban wildlife: a squirrel in Montreal searching for food in a garbage can.” Montreal is not only blessed with urban wildlife, but according to Wikipedia, we define it.

To an urban grower of vegetables and fruit, the coexistence with urban wildlife poses a particular challenge. When we first moved here, a neighbour discouraged me from even planting tulip bulbs because the squirrels would just dig them up. The presence of a live capture trap left by the previous owners in our basement did not register. I went about my regular gardening duties, setting up my compost and clearing out the crawl space under the house, only to find one morning that three raccoons could fit in a compost container with a tamper-proof lid and that the skunks had long been in residence in our crawl space.

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The first occurred May 9 at 4 pm at For-den and Westmount avenues, witnessed by a passing public safety officer, who stopped to help the victim. He was reported to have been riding with only one hand on the handlebars when he was forced to brake suddenly and apparently used the wrong one. He suffered minor scrapes to the face, chest and arms. He

was not wearing a helmet.

The second mishap took place May 14 around 8 am when a Montreal cyclist was hit by a taxi that had just picked up a passenger outside 4331 de Maisonneuve. It left the scene witnessed by a Public Works crew. It was reported that the driver may not have known the car had clipped the bike. A public safety officer applied first aid to the victim, a 27-year-old woman, who complained of pain in the right thigh. She was driven to her place of work. —LS





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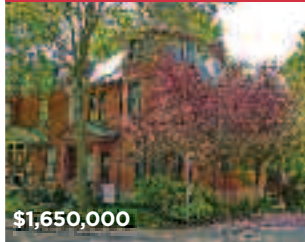
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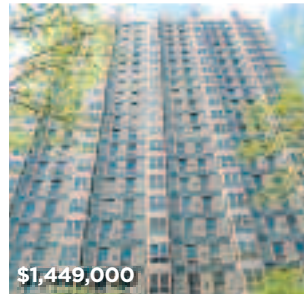
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Westmount Art Scene

Schneider Granatstein and Boudreault: Contemporary memories

BY HEATHER BLACK

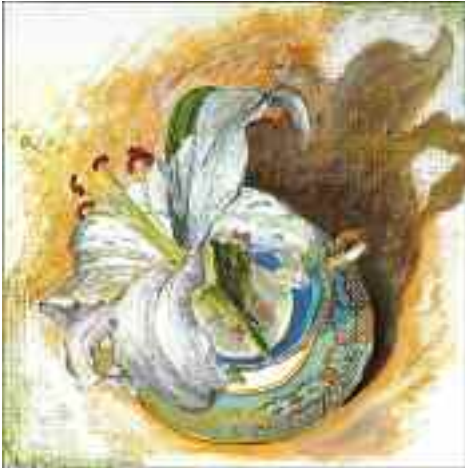
Westmount artist Lynda Schneider Granatstein is exhibiting rich floral paintings in jewelled-Renaissance tones at the West End Gallery. And at Han Art, Louis Boudreault's large-scale portraits of famous artists as children dominate the gallery.

Lynda Schneider Granatstein at the West End Gallery

"Fragrant Memories" is a mixed-media series of floral still lifes. Painted in oils, the artist often depicts a sole flower placed in an ornate burgundy, green or gold cup. Inspired by a love of her grandmother's teacups and flowers, the formal compositions are enlivened by texture and script. "Aqua Teacup and Lily" is a large composition painted on paper. In the background, a grid pattern adds a contemporary feel to the still life. Another "Four Teacups in a Row" is an unusual composition of gilded cups and saucers. Easily described as works of art themselves, the cups' vertical placement emphasizes their delicacy and refinement.

Texture from cut and painted pasted paper adds to the depth and richness of the work. This technique is also found in Schneider Granatstein's figurative work. In "Backstage Warmup," the colours of the ballerina's petal tutu are repeated in the textured paper in the image's upper left corner.

Schneider Granatstein's work is cur-



"Aqua Teacup with Lily" by Lynda Schneider Granatstein

rently on display at the West End Gallery, 1358 Greene Ave.

Louis Boudreault at Han Art Gallery

This Montreal artist is known for his drawings of famous literary or political figures as children. For this exhibit "In Search of Lost Time," Boudreault focuses on artists replacing a young Hemingway, Churchill or Mao with a Chagall, Calder or Kandinsky. Many of these figures can be recognized. Salvador Dali's mischievous up-turned smile is unmistakable. The boy with compelling eyes and enormous ears is a young Pablo Picasso. And the stern, if not troubled, face of an adolescent is undeniably Vincent Van Gogh, painted in his signature blue and gold tones. Drawn on pasted paper on layers of coloured sheets and then painted, the imagery is both contemporary in feel yet antique. The imagery recalls daguerreotype portraits and combined with the paper's exposed edges evokes a portfolio or thumb-worn book.

Boudreault's textured representation

adds nuance to each portrait. Oversized, these images convey a "larger than life" and unforgettable personality. The exhibit contin-

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"Vincent van Gogh" by Louis Boudreault



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Matte credits the institutional strength of his firm, Macquarie Private Wealth, for providing an extensive range of investments to choose from. The global resources of Macquarie enable him to select stocks and bonds that most other firms simply don't have access to. As a result, Matte and his clients go beyond the standard off-the-shelf products to invest in securities that can provide better yields at a lower cost.

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To arrange a private appointment with Denny Matte, visit his website at **dennymatte.com** for contact information.

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# Avataq works to make Inuit culture visible

By JOANNE PENHALE

The Avataq Cultural Institute is leading the effort to support and protect Inuit culture in northern Quebec – and its Montreal office is located right in Westmount. “It’s making Inuit culture visible. It’s keeping Inuit culture alive,” archaeological assistant Andrew Papigatuk said of the non-profit organization.

Papigatuk, a 22-year-old from Salluit on the north coast of Nunavik, has worked at Avataq for more than three years. This summer, he’ll be in the north to do archaeological surveying around Aupalik, where an open pit iron mine is planned. Hiring young local residents, Avataq’s archaeological department will document the heritage of the area, saving artifacts they find in their excavations.

Papigatuk will also visit five of the 14 villages in Nunavik to work on local cultural projects. In all 14 villages, Avataq coordinates a local cultural committee of elders and young people, around self-determined cultural projects. Building an *umiaq* – a boat used for migration – is one past project. Starting a local radio program was another.

“We work with the youth as much as we can so the youth will be aware of our heritage,” Papigatuk explained. He pointed toward Avataq’s collection of recordings – thousands of hours of elders’ oral histories, which youth can learn from, he said.

“Inuit have a link with nature that we lost a long time ago – us white people,” said Avataq’s publications director Robert Frechette. His department is working on a book about whaling, a practice being re-born in Kangiqsujuak after 100 years. Frechette pulled a past publication – a children’s book – off a nearby shelf. Brightly coloured pictures of tools on each page were accompanied with their name in Inuktitut.

Avataq also studies trends in Inuktitut. It holds workshops, Frechette explained, to build vocabulary for aspects of the justice and health care systems, for example, without appropriating the equivalent French or English words. Avataq’s genealogy department traces the family trees of the approximately 10,000 Inuit in Nunavik.

Avataq was created in 1980, out of a request from elders. Five ..... years earlier, the James continued on p. 19



Archaeological assistant Andrew Papigatuk shows off his favourite object in the Westmount office’s display of artifacts – a harpoon head made of stone. He said it would have been used to hunt land animals, like caribou. Avataq keeps more than 300,000 artifacts from Nunavik, including art and tools, at the Museum Collection Centre on Peel Street.

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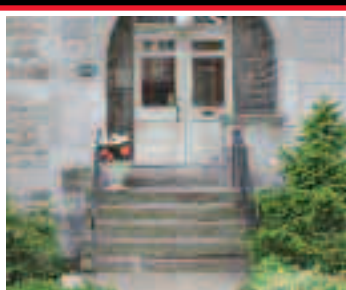
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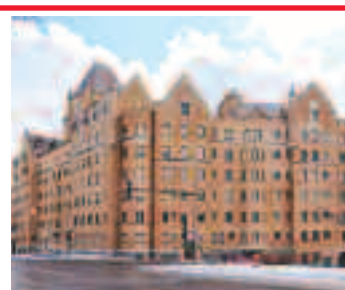
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# Galerie Crafteria kid's art service opens on Victoria Ave.



Abstract artist Randee Crudo, who has taken over a commercial space at 342-A Victoria Ave., is offering a relatively unique service that combines babysitting with children's arts and crafts instruction. At her boutique, Galerie Crafteria, parents can drop off the kids while doing a little shopping. Crudo, a McGill University art history graduate, is an accomplished painter, whose colourful abstract works adorn the walls and are for sale in the space.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

## Bird taken to SPCA

An injured bird was reported to have been taken to the SPCA by public safety officers after it was found outside 4815 de Maisonneuve around 8:45 pm May 10. Its species was not recorded.

## Art scene

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ues until Sunday, June 3 at Han Art  
Gallery, 4209 St. Catherine St.

### A multi-textured past

The use of collage in mixed media imparts a unique quality, suggestive of yesterday's rich complexity, yet the simultaneously contemporary texture enboldens Schneider Granatstein's work and is a modern counterpoint to the china's fine details. For Boudreault, squares of pasted paper add a graphic element to the composition that conveys the complexity of the artist's personality. But both are interesting, exploratory artists that enliven traditional themes.

Heather Black is a Westmount  
communications designer. Contact her at:  
[blackheajea@gmail.com](mailto:blackheajea@gmail.com).

## Leaf blowers warned, fined

With May 1 came the expiry of the spring period for leaf-blower use. One man was warned May 11 when he was spotted on Sherbrooke between Victoria and Claremont with a blower in hand. But on May 15, another gardener was ticketed \$267 when he was found blowing grass cuttings "all over the street" at Kensington and de Maisonneuve shortly after 8:30 am. He was also told to use a broom to clean up the cuttings.



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# New summer camp opens in Westmount

BY LAUREN O'LOUGHLIN

Westmount residents Philip Cutler and Gabriel D'Amico-Mazza, both 23 have put their own spin on the summer daycamp concept and founded the Laurus Lifestyle Summer Camp, which starts this summer.

The *Independent* asked the energetic duo how a “lifestyle camp” compares to a regular summer camp?

“I have been to many summer camps since a young age...I found it was always about physical activity,” said says D'Amico-Mazza. “The mind basically shuts off. We want to make sure that, yes, [kids] are going to have fun and a great summer but that their minds will be kept active enough – the brain is another muscle, right?”

To keep the brain and the body active, Cutler and D'Amico-Mazza have developed “specific training areas” as part of the summer camp’s curriculum. Children are given the opportunity to spend one hour a day honing their skills in an area of their choice under the guidance of one of the camp specialists.

The Laurus Summer Camp curriculum offers sports, fitness, nutrition, art, dance, language improvement, math and organi-



Gabriel D'Amico-Mazza, left, and Philip Cutler outside the Laurus Lifestyle Summer Camp venue at the RMR Armoury April 30.

zational skills.

Cutler gave an in-depth explanation about the meticulous process of choosing “young, energetic” counsellors, who will act as the camp specialists. They are all McGill graduates and undergraduates and have a reference of expertise in one of the specialty areas.

Campers will also be offered a daily smoothie and will be taught healthy eating habits. “They will learn the importance of incorporating the right ingredients” into their diets, said Cutler.

For those aged 13 to 15, the camp offers the counsellor-in-training program. Young adolescents are given the opportunity to work alongside the camp specialists and learn how to organize activities and manage large groups of children. “This is an experience they can use in the next two to three years as they go on to CEGEP,” said Cutler.

The camp will be holding its first session this year. It runs from the end of June to mid- August. The camp

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# Mixologists enter cocktail challenge for Batshaw



## Social Notes from Westmount and Beyond

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Andrew Clark, Sarrah Sheiner and Dario Mazzarello.

Westmounters turned out in force April 3 to support the Batshaw Youth and Family Centres. Gathering at the chicly spacious Parisian Laundry, some 350 guests attended the second annual "Cocktail Challenge" fundraiser. Tickets were \$125, and \$80 for those under 35.

The fun, balloon-decorated event featured a competition among mixologists from several of Montreal's top restaurants and bars who served their favourite cocktail creations based on vodka, sponsored by Iceberg Vodka. Jello Martini Lounge, Tuck Shop, Sparrow Bar and Burgundy Lion volunteered. Tuck Shop won!

CJAD's **Andrew Carter** was the always-amusing emcee. Volunteering students came from The Study and ECS, as well as Loyola and LCC.

M.A.D. Catering offered delicious delights.

Westmounters noted in the standing-room-only



From left: Barbara Molson, Linda LeMoyne, Christine Harkness, Karma Hallward, Tina Khan and Elizabeth Cundill.

crowd included board president of Batshaw Youth and Family Centres **Judy Martin, Vanessa and Guy Laframboise, Elise Nesbitt, Barbara Molson, Nancy Fitzpatrick, Claire and Stuart Webster, Andrea McConnell, Sarrah Sheiner, Dario Maz-**

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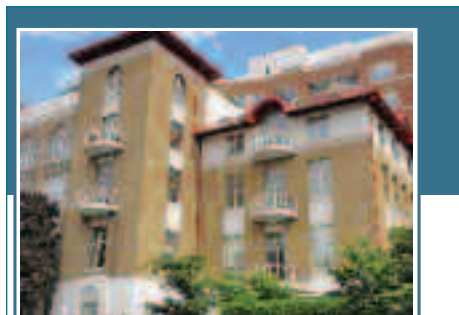
zarello, Sarah Ivory, Guthrie Stewart, Elizabeth Cundill, Vytas Gruodis, Sue and Jawaid Khan with daughter Tina (a former Westmounter), Nancy and Harry Bloomfield, and the Batshaw Foundation's Karma Hallward, president, as well as Trevor Bishop and Andrew Clark, board members.

About \$45,000 was raised. The non-

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# Algire, Velan create PC virus gizmo

By LAUREN O'LOUGHLIN

Westmount entrepreneurs Marty Algire, 37, and Corey Velan, 35, are the creators of the recently-launched FixMeStick – a small USB device that has been designed to remove malware from Windows-based PCs.

The premise of the device is simple: if your PC is affected by a virus, you simply pop it in and leave it alone. “It takes anywhere from 40 minutes to a few hours,” explained Algire, but with the combination of three different anti-virus software programs, the stick is designed to clean your PC without requiring any user intervention.

The founders, based in an office building in Victoria village said, however, “You still need your anti-virus software. The [FixMeStick] is for virus removal.” Algire compares the device to a painkiller. “You take your vitamins every day but when things go wrong you take a Tylenol; this is the Tylenol vs. the vitamins.”

Velan and Algire came up with the concept for FixMeStick in 2011 while they were both working at Radialpoint Software. “In March 2011 we were approaching the point of now or never,” said Algire, referring to challenges of starting a business while raising a young family. “It took

about a year to [...] get the FixMeStick to work on a vast range of PCs,” said Velan. He jokes about sneaking into PC stores to test the FixMeStick’s compatibility on demo PCs.

FixMeStick was launched to the public on May 9. It is currently available for purchase on line at [www.fixmestick.com](http://www.fixmestick.com). The initial purchase price of the device is \$49.99, and can be used on up to three different PCs. There is an annual renewal price of \$24.99.

The two entrepreneurs have already looked into an appearance on the television series *Dragons’ Den*, however did not meet the deadline for this year’s series.

For photo of the launch party, see “Fixin’ to launch,” May 15, p. 33.

## Garbage piles up

Street work on Prince Albert led to an overflowing container in the lane behind the Dairy Queen outlet on Sherbrooke May 11, Public Security officials said. The regular garbage truck had been unable to access the lane and special arrangements were made to have it return at 5 pm the next day. A neighbour had complained about the overflowing container.

# Theoharis celebrates 100th



A resident of the Château Westmount long-term care centre celebrated her 100th birthday recently. Helen Theoharis (holding bouquet) turned 100 on May 2. Members of her family chose to mark the event with a party on May 13, which was also Mother’s Day. Seen from left are her granddaughter Lillian Vennor, grandson Perry Theoharis, daughter Besy Vennor and granddaughter Ariadne Alexoudis.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

# Avataq

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Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement was signed. While the treaty established institutions like local governments and environmental protections, it had none to ensure the protection of cultural identity and language, Frechette said. Now, an elders’ conference is held every two years, providing Avataq’s direction.

Frechette noted Avataq gets funding from various sources – 52 different ones in 2011 – and so its mandate is also dictated by funders. “That’s a thing we are working on right now,” he said: the or-

ganization would prefer permanent funding through regional government groups to keep Avataq more accountable to the Inuit of Nunavik.

“Especially with the Plan Nord coming, Inuit are more nervous than ever about their language and culture,” Frechette said. Mining projects like that in Aupalik, he said, would bring in hundreds of outsiders. “Imagine the 200 people in Aupalik,” he said. “Imagine the threat to their identity, language and culture.”

Avataq’s main office, with several employees, is in Inukjuak. Its Montreal office, also created in 1980, now employs about 30 people, Frechette said. It relocated to 4150 St. Catherine St. in 2011, from Redfern.

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• 2 O’Clock Series at the Westmount Public Library “**Mythical creatures and the wonders of nature**” with Frederic Hore, 2 pm in the Westmount Room. Register at the circulation desk or call 514.989.5299.

THURSDAY, MAY 24

• **Eva Lapka**, head of the Visual Arts Centre’s ceramics department will discuss her career of some 30 years, 7 pm at the McClure Gallery, 350 Victoria Ave. Info: 514.488.9558.

• **Alain Fr  chette**, head of Education and Cultural Services at the **Stewart Museum**, gives an illustrated presentation on the exhibitions and programming at the museum, which is located in a former British military complex on St. Helen’s Island, 12:30 pm at the Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater.

FRIDAY, MAY 25

• **Chez Doris** women’s shelter will host a fundraising afternoon high tea and silent auction, 3 to 7 pm at Ogilvy’s Tudor Hall, 1307 St. Catherine St. Westmounter Anna Gainey, executive director of the Gainey Foundation, will provide keynote speech. Westmount-based Avataq Cultural Institute will present Inuit throat singers. Tickets: \$75. Info: 514.937.2341, ext. 223 or information@chezdoris.ca.

• The **Yellow Door Choir**, directed by Westmounter Eleanor Stubleby, presents “Wheels in Motion: A Journey South,” 8 pm (doors open at 7:30 pm at the Unitarian Church of Montreal, 5035 de Maisonneuve Blvd. Also Saturday, May 26. Proceeds go to Cyclo Nord-Sud. Tickets: \$20; students \$15. Advance purchase: www.yellowdoorchoir.com or

514.738.9052. Also available at the door.

• The Thomas More Institute presents an interview with **Ellen Gabriel** on indigenous rights, 7 to 9 pm at 3405 Atwater. Third of a four-part interview series on “Canadian Anxieties.” Cost: \$10. Reserve: 514.935.9585.

SATURDAY, MAY 26

• **Westmount Family Day**, 10 am to 4 pm in Westmount Park. Visit www.westmount.org for program.

• The **Montreal Urban Hikers Walking Club** will climb the hills of Westmount. Meet at 9:30 am at the northwest corner of Atwater and de Maisonneuve. Bring water and wear comfortable shoes. Walks usually finish before noon. Cost: \$2. Info: Olga Horge 514.366.9108 or ohorge@videotron.ca.

• Fundraising tea party for the **Westmount Baptist Church**, 5 pm. Featuring singer Kiralina, an African fashion show and a Ghanaian dance group. 411 Roslyn, corner Sherbrooke. Tickets: \$20; for children 12 and under \$10. Info: 514.364.4333.

MONDAY, MAY 28

Women’s Canadian Club of Montreal presents speaker **James Manson**, professor, at the montreal campus of the University of Vermont on “Loyalist Settlers of the Eastern Townships,” 12:30 pm at the Unitarian Church, 5035 de Maisonneuve Blvd. Free for members; visitors \$10. Sandwich lunch available for \$5 at 11:15 am. Annual general meeting to follow. Info: Carolyn Roper 514.932.4005.

TUESDAY, MAY 29

**Harmonia Westmount** presents a string quartet, which will play Canadian, Icelandic, Spanish and Jewish choral music, 7:30 pm at St. Stephen’s Anglican Church, 4006 Dorchester, corner Atwater. Tickets: \$15; free for children 12 and under.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

In the City presents a **tea tasting with DavidsTea**, 7 pm at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom. Tickets: \$5 members; \$8 non-members.

THURSDAY, MAY 31

• **Open Gate Gala** benefit, 6 pm at the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue. Buffet supper, door prizes and trophies. Ticket information: Marlene at 514.731.0415 or Barbara at 514.938.1405.

• **Mirana Zuger’s “Vrtlar”** vernissage, 6 pm at the McClure Gallery, 350 Victoria Ave. Exhibition runs from June 1 to 23. Artist will give a talk on Thursday, June 7. Info: 514.488.9558.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

**Rotary Club of Westmount auction**, 7 pm at the RMR Westmount Armoury, 4625 St. Catherine St. Preview starts at 6 pm. Rotary’s **garage sale** takes place Saturday, June 2, 9:30 am to 2 pm. Info: www.rotarywestmount.org or 514.935.3344.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

“**Voyage en italie**” benefit concert for the Westmount Baptist Church, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm at 411 Roslyn, corner Sherbrooke. Soprano Mich  le Bolduc, tenor Luc Robert and pianist J  r  mie Pelletier perform arias from Traviata, Boh  me, Lucia, Rigoletto and l’Elisir d’Amore. Tickets: \$30; \$20 for students and singers. Reserve: 514.743.1216.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

**Matthew Stern** plays folk music at 2 pm at the Gallery at Victoria Hall (4626 Sherbrooke St.). Refreshments. It’s the last of “Sunday Concerts in the Gallery” by Westmount’s Community & Cultural Events division. Tickets: \$12 or \$10 advance. Info: 514.989.5226.

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# ON THE SHELVES

Among recent reading and audio-visual material at the Westmount Public Library singled out by staff are:

### Magazines

“Home and Native Land: Aboriginal Opposition to Enbridge’s Proposed Northern Gateway Pipeline isn’t Anti-Business. It’s a Mature Approach to their Emerging Role as Serious Economic Players in Canada” by Cooper Langford in *Financial Post*, April 2012, p. 28.

“A Very Big Dig: The Niagara Tunnel Hydro Project is a Key Part of Ontario’s Shift to Clean Power, but Despite Decades of Planning and Millions of Dollars, a Trip Underground is still a Voyage into the Unknown” by Alex Hutchinson in *Canadian Geographic* April 2012, p. 26.

“Dans le ciel de Laval: Laval pourrait devenir la première ville canadienne à se doter d’un “tramway aérien. Quels défis cela pose-t-il aux ingénieurs et urbanistes?” by Ulysse Bergeron in *Québec Science*, avril-mai 2012, p. 10.

### Adult non-fiction

*The Daily You: How the New Advertising Industry is Defining your Identity and Your Worth* by Joseph Turow – The author in-

vestigates how advertisers are using increasingly sophisticated analyses of our internet activity and converting this data into targeted marketing schemes.

*Dreaming in French: the Paris Years of Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy, Susan Sontag, and Angela Davis* by Alice Kaplan – Kaplan takes readers into the lives, hopes, and ambitions of three influential yet completely different American women, for each of whom Paris played a short but transformative role, over three tumultuous decades.

### E-book titles:

*Mr. Churchill’s Secretary* by Susan MacNeal – Despite graduating at the top of her college class and possessing all the skills of the finest minds in British intelligence, Maggie Hope’s gender qualifies her only to be the newest typist at No. 10 Downing St. Nevertheless, she uses the access her position demands, her quick wits and her remarkable talents at code-breaking to unravel an assassin’s murderous plan.

*What to Look for in Winter* by Candia McWilliam – The memoir of a celebrated writer’s sudden descent into blindness, and of the redemptive journey into the past that her loss of sight sets in motion.

### Adult French – A look at our history

*Marcel Tessier raconte notre histoire* by Marcel Tessier – Through short vignettes, Tessier introduces the major historical figures that shaped our history. A highly readable book that covers important events from Jacques Cartier’s arrival to our days.

*Nous étions le nouveau monde. 2, Le feuillet des premières* by Jean-Claude Germain – The author presents the turbulent years that preceded the 1837-1838 rebellion. The story is told from the point of view of Louis Joseph Papineau, a statesman who fought for constitutional reforms and eventually went into exile.

### DVDs

*Jane’s Journey – Dr. Jane Goodall*. Renowned for her groundbreaking work with chimpanzees, Goodall has devoted the past two decades of her life to saving our endangered planet. Join her as she spreads her stirring message of hope across the globe, encounters cherished but threatened natural treasures, and reflects on the personal challenges of maintaining a family while being married to her work.

*Mordecai Richler: The Last of the Wild Jews*. Scripted by Richler’s new biographer, writer Charlie Foran, in collaboration with the film’s director, Francine Pelletier, this documentary looks at Mordecai Richler, the man and the writer, in a new way, as one of a generation of gifted, Jewish writers and intellectuals, who dominated much of North American culture from the ’50s to the end of the century.

### Children’s books: Getting ready for spring!

*Sors de ton coco, Léo* by David Bedford – When Léo’s egg cracks, he isn’t ready to leave his comfortable and warm home, but he soon discovers that staying inside his egg isn’t all it’s cracked up to be.

*A Stick is an Excellent Thing: Poems Celebrating Outdoor Play* by Marilyn Singer – These poems will get you in the mood for skipping, playing jacks, blowing bubbles and just having fun playing outside!

### Reference

The guide *Choisir université 2012: tout ce qu’il faut savoir pour franchir les portes de l’université*.

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## New life at Well House?



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The Well House restaurant, a long-time fixture (under various names) at the corner of Victoria and Sherbrooke, which shut its doors late last year while the previous owners were renovating, may be re-opening under new administration. A nearby merchant, who cited Montreal-area food and restaurant blogs as her source, told the Independent that new owners may be using the same name. In the meantime, the Well House’s windows have been covered with “opening soon” posters.

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## Mountainside raises \$4.5K for Sun Youth



Mountainside United Church hosted a choral concert "Kids for Kids" to benefit Sun Youth's children's programs on April 21. Almost 200 young choristers and musicians gathered at the church to make music. Participants were the junior choir of the Choeur des enfants de Montréal, the McGill Conservatory Children's Chorus, the English Montreal School Board Junior Chorale, the South Shore Children's Chorus' Junior Choir, the Montreal Chinese Children's Choir, and the FACE School Chamber Orchestra. Each group presented individually and the program ended with Massed Junior Choirs and the choirs and orchestra joining in a grand finale. The church was reported full and the event raised \$4,500 for Sun Youth.

Photo courtesy of Mountainside United Church

## Family Day

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this year, she said, is the addition of a second climbing wall provided by the Westmount Y "so we shouldn't have the long waiting lines" that resulted from the popularity of the Scouts' climbing wall, which will return once again.

Another change results from the encroachment of the arena/pool construction site into the park: the relocation of community exhibits closer to the Melville field and gazebo, where most of the main activities take place.

These include the morning races, inflatable games and face painting, the afternoon carnival booths and the daylong petting zoo, pony rides, climbing walls and Public Security's installation and verification of child car seats.

The aerial runway and boat rides by the 34 Combat Engineer Regiment will once again take place at the lagoon.

## Camp

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is open to ages 5 to 15 and will be held at the RMR armory at 4625 St. Catherine St.

Cutler is a student in the department of Education at McGill and is founder of Laurus Educational Services, a home tutoring service. D'Amico-Mazza holds a Bachelor of Science from Concordia and a graduate diploma in Health Care Management from McGill.

For more information on Laurus Lifestyle Summer Camp, visit [www.laurussummercamp.com](http://www.laurussummercamp.com).

Notice is hereby given that the 114th Annual Meeting of NOVA Montreal will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 14, 2012 at 310 Victoria Avenue, suite 403, Westmount, Quebec.

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## Tickets for \$1,517 issued at 1250 Greene

Two tickets totalling \$1,517 were issued at the construction site of 1250 Greene May 12 when the pouring and polishing of concrete continued long into the night, exceeding a tolerated delay, Public Security officials said.

A few complaints were received from nearby residents after 12:20 am concerning the work at the condo development, as well as light coming from a bright spotlight on top of the crane.

Officers said that earlier in the evening workers had requested and been granted special permission to work until 9 pm after a piece of equipment had broken down. When the work went on so late, however, tickets were given at 12:28 am. One was for \$267 under the nuisance by-law. Another for \$1,250 was for failing to abide by rules of the permit requiring work to stop at 6 pm.

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<div></div> <div><b>HÔTEL DE VILLE</b> <b>Comités consultatifs du conseil : invitation aux bénévoles</b> Westmount est à la recherche de résidents pour siéger au comité consultatif d'horticulture et au comité consultatif du Bois Summit. Toute personne intéressée est priée de soumettre sa candidature par écrit auprès de la conseillère Cynthia Lulham au 4333, rue Sherbrooke O., H3Z 1E2 ou à <a href="mailto:clulham@westmount.org">clulham@westmount.org</a>. </div>		<div></div> <div><b>CITY HALL</b> <b>Council Advisory Committees: invitation to volunteers</b> Westmount Council is looking for resident members for its Horticulture Advisory Committee and Summit Woods Advisory Committee. Interested residents should send a written application to Councillor Cynthia Lulham at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, H3Z 1E2 or at <a href="mailto:clulham@westmount.org">clulham@westmount.org</a>. </div>		<div></div> <div><b>DATEBOOK</b> <b>May 26 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.</b> 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Westmount Family Day Westmount Park <b>June 4 at 8 p.m.</b> Council Meeting City Hall <b>June 6 at 7 p.m.</b> McEntyre Awards Ceremony Victoria Hall <b>June 22 at 5 p.m.</b> Fête de la Saint-Jean Westmount Park</div>
<div></div> <div><b>SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE</b> <b>Bois Summit : période migratoire</b> Rappel aux propriétaires de chiens : pendant la période migratoire des oiseaux, soit du 16 avril au 15 juin, les propriétaires promenant leurs chiens au parc Summit doivent les tenir <b>en laisse en tout temps</b>. Les officiers de la Sécurité publique patrouilleront le secteur et délivreront des constats de 75 \$ aux contrevenants. Info : 514 989-5222. </div>		<div></div> <div><b>PUBLIC SECURITY</b> <b>Summit Woods: migratory period</b> Reminder for dog owners: during the bird migratory period, April 16 to June 15, dogs in Summit Park must be kept <b>on leash at all times</b>. To ensure this regulation is respected, Public Security Officers will carry out random patrols and issue \$75 fines to any violators. Info : 514 989-5222. </div>		<div></div> <div><b>Blowing in the Wind: A Tribute to Bob Dylan and his Musical World</b> Montreal ethnomusicologist, musician and author Craig Morrison along with Terry Joe “Banjo” Rodrigues will present an illustrative and musical tribute to cultural icon Bob Dylan on Wednesday, June 13 at 7 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Pick up free tickets at the Library. Info: 514 989-5386. </div>
<div></div> <div><b>ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES</b> <b>Art Westmount : Appel de dossiers</b> La Ville de Westmount invite ses artistes à participer à la 4<sup>e</sup> édition d'<i>Art Westmount</i> qui aura lieu les 29 et 30 septembre 2012. Les formulaires de participation sont disponibles au <a href="http://www.westmount.org">www.westmount.org</a> et au Victoria Hall. Date limite d'inscription : le 31 mai. Info : 514 989-5521 ou <a href="mailto:artwestmount@westmount.org">artwestmount@westmount.org</a>.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>COMMUNITY EVENTS</b> <b>Art Westmount: Call for Artists</b> Westmount artists are invited to participate in the fourth edition of <i>Art Westmount</i> which will be held September 29 and 30, 2012. Participation forms are available at <a href="http://www.westmount.org">www.westmount.org</a> and at Victoria Hall. Deadline to register: Thursday, May 31. Info: 514 989-5521 or <a href="mailto:artwestmount@westmount.org">artwestmount@westmount.org</a>.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>SPORTS &amp; RECREATION</b> <b>Relocation of offices</b> Please note that the Sports &amp; Recreation Department offices have been relocated to Victoria Hall for the duration of the construction of the new recreation centre. Info: 514 989-5353.</div>
<div></div> <div><b>BIBLIOTHÈQUE</b> <b>Cercle de lecture</b> Aucune liste de lecture imposée et aucune date limite, seulement des discussions au sujet des livres que vous avez lus ! Notre prochaine rencontre aura lieu le mardi 12 juin à 10 h 15. Info: 514 989-5386.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>LIBRARY</b> <b>Readers to Readers Book Club</b> Join our morning book club with a twist. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 12 at 10:15 a.m. to talk about great books recently read. Info: 514 989-5386.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>37th Annual Family Day</b> Spend the day in Westmount Park with friends and neighbours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Enjoy a variety of activities - inflatable games, face painting, the aerial runway, petting zoo, races, egg toss... there's something for everyone. Meet City officials and community groups. Activities will be canceled if there is heavy rain. Info: 514 989-5353.</div>
<div></div> <div><b>Atelier de poésie avec Ann Lloyd</b> Cet atelier vous permettra de vous exprimer en vers et de libérer votre créativité dans une ambiance décontractée. Notre prochaine date de rencontre est le mardi 12 juin à 14 h. Info : 514 989-5386.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>SPORTS ET LOISIRS</b> <b>Déménagement des bureaux</b> Veuillez noter que les bureaux du Service des sports et loisirs ont été relocalisés au Victoria Hall pour la durée de la construction du nouveau centre des loisirs. Info : 514 989-5353.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>Enter the Westmount Recreation Centre Time Capsule Contest!</b> Westmounters are invited to help celebrate their new recreation centre by proposing one of the <b>12 items</b> that will be included in a time capsule to be buried deep in the WRC. Pick up an entry form at the WRC kiosk on Family Day, May 26, or send an email to <a href="mailto:timecapsule@westmount.org">timecapsule@westmount.org</a> with your name, address, a description of the item and why you think it represents today's Westmount. Be part of our community's history. Info: <a href="http://www.westmount.org">www.westmount.org</a>. </div>
<div></div> <div><b>37<sup>e</sup> Journée familiale de Westmount</b> Une journée entre amis et voisins au parc Westmount entre 9 h et 16 h avec des activités pour tous : jeux gonflables, maquillage, promenade aérienne, animaux, courses, concours d'oeufs et plus. Rencontrez les élus municipaux et les organismes communautaires. Les activités seront annulées dans le cas de fortes pluies. Info : 514 989-5353.</div>		<div></div> <div><b>Participez au concours Capsule témoin du Centre des loisirs de Westmount !</b> Les Westmountais sont invités à contribuer à la célébration du nouveau centre des loisirs en proposant l'un des <b>12 éléments</b> à être inclus dans une capsule témoin qui sera enterré sous le CLW. Procurez-vous un formulaire d'inscription au kiosque du CLW lors de la Journée familiale le 26 mai ou envoyez un courriel à <a href="mailto:capsuletemoin@westmount.org">capsuletemoin@westmount.org</a> avec votre nom, adresse, une description de l'objet et pourquoi vous pensez qu'il représente Westmount aujourd'hui. Faites partie de l'histoire de notre communauté. Info : <a href="http://www.westmount.org">www.westmount.org</a>. </div>		<div></div> <div><b>Sunday concert in the Gallery: Matthew Stern</b> Sunday, June 3 at 2 p.m. in the Gallery at Victoria Hall. Tickets: \$12 and \$10. Refreshments served. Info: 514 989-5226 </div>
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# Busta’ move



*The Underdog Club*

CYNTHIA LEE

Somebody busted a move. They up and packed their bags and headed out of Dodge. Nothing wrong with that, right? Who hasn’t needed a change of scene when the going gets rough? New surroundings can do a body good and renew the soul. But it’s not so good when the person you love up and leaves without you!

That’s what happened to Buster, an old but young at heart white shih tzu/bichon mix. Around the house he’s been known to loaf around with the best of them and his favourite thing to do is curl up on the couch and take a little snooze.

There Buster can dream about the days he had two working eyes with which to see the world. Not only did this enhance his time in the outdoors, it made his other favourite pastime – watching TV – a breeze. Better to see Alex Trebek and read those *Jeopardy* questions with!

How he lost that eye, no one is sure but his other physical attributes are working overtime to compensate. Such as his lovely clean white coat and his endearing smile.

This fella’s other qualities are that he is terribly good mannered and gets along with everyone, other dogs and cats too.

At present, this 11-year-old, one-eyed, 23-lb gentleman resides at the SPCA Emergency Shelter hoping for the day he gets to spring free.

Want to walk down the street and bust a move with Buster? He is a perfect candidate and the best company for a nice new home. Contact the SPCA Emergency Shelter at 514.915.7311 or [adoptions.sPCA@gmail.com](mailto:adoptions.sPCA@gmail.com) to meet Buster

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## Delta adopted

The black pit bull Delta from Pit Stop has been adopted. She was featured in “Is there a second chance for Delta?” in the Underdog column in the issue of February 28, p. 14.



Buster

## Owner warned to control his dog’s behaviour

A Westmount dog owner was warned to better control his dog after users of the dog run at Murray Park told public safety officers May 11 that the retriever had a habit of acting aggressively with others at the run. It was suggested that the man start using other dog runs, and he was told that a report of the complaint would be filed for future reference.



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# Stir it up!



**Elliott Cohen**

It's BBQ time! Here's a great secret to cleaning your grates. Instead of using a wire cleaning brush, cut a large onion in half, place the cut side down and slide the onion up and down the grates. This is also a nice way of flavouring the grill before cooking, but don't do it if you're grilling dessert!



Here are two marinades to flavour your meat and fish to kick start your summer grilling. A dry rub is a marinade made up of dry spices. A wet marinade contains a liquid medium. A non-reactive dish can be stainless steel or glass, not aluminum.

## All-purpose BBQ rub

This all-purpose rub packs a flavourful punch. It goes well with pork tenderloin, pork or beef ribs, flank, skirt or hanger steak and chicken.

### Ingredients:

1/4 cup granulated sugar  
1 tbsp. firmly packed light brown sugar  
1/4 cup paprika  
1 tbsp. chili powder  
1 tsp. cayenne pepper  
1 tsp. smoked paprika  
1 tsp. kosher salt  
Freshly ground black pepper to taste.

### Directions:

In a small container with a tight-fitting lid, stir together the granulated sugar, brown sugar, paprika, chili powder, cayenne, smoked paprika, salt and several grinds of black pepper. Cover and shake vigorously to mix. Use immediately or store in a cool, dark place for up to one month. Makes about 2/3 cup.

### Soy-ginger marinade

Soy sauce, sherry and ginger are combined to make an American

version of Japanese teriyaki marinade, which is good on flank steak, skirt steak, chicken, pork and firm-fleshed fish. Marinate steaks, chops and chicken in the refrigerator for at least 3 hours or up to all day if you wish; marinate fish fillets for 1 to 2 hours. Large pieces of meat and poultry can marinate for 1 to 2 days.

### Ingredients:

1/2 cup soy sauce

1/2 cup dry sherry  
1/3 cup vegetable oil  
2 tbsp. sugar  
2 garlic cloves, minced  
1 tbsp. peeled and grated fresh ginger

### Directions:

In a small bowl, whisk together the soy sauce, sherry, vegetable oil, sugar, garlic and ginger. If possible, let stand at room

temperature for about 1 hour before using to allow the flavours to blend.

If you have any requests for recipes or grilling questions email to me at [elliott@ecca.ca](mailto:elliott@ecca.ca). If you're interested in learning how to grill or improving your skills, check out my website after June 15 for summer grilling classes ([www.ecca.ca](http://www.ecca.ca)) or contact me to create your own class.

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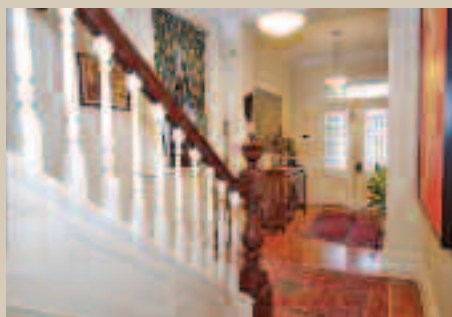


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