

## Rates up 63% for Sports & Rec card, and other hikes

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Come 2016, be prepared to pay 62.5 per cent more for the Sports and Recreation facility card. City council was expected to hike the rates in adopting a new tariffs by-law at the mid-month meeting of city council November 16 after press time.

"It's the first increase we've had in 10 years," explained department director Dave Lapointe.

This means the annual card, which allows Westmount residents free access to use facilities such as the skating rinks, pool and tennis courts, will jump to \$40 for

an individual (up from \$25) and \$80 for a family of up to five (increased from \$50). Families of more than five will pay \$5 for each additional card.

"I want residents to know that Sports and Rec has a policy that no Westmounter will be denied access to our facilities for financial reasons," Councillor Rosalind Davis said.

The by-law to increase city tariffs was tabled at the council meeting November 2. It lists new rates for a range of permits from plumbing and reviews of building plans to those for tree cutting, blasting and café-terraces.

It also sets out more than four pages of fees for various Sports and Rec activities on tap for spring and summer registration February 16. Not all these are being increased, however, Lapointe said.

## Roslyn joins others in book/CD launch



Roslyn school was one of the six English Montreal School Board elementary schools to participate in the launch of the French children's book and musical CD: *Le Temps des Fleurs, le Temps des Neiges* the evening of November 11 at Victoria Hall. From 1,600 auditions, 320 Montreal elementary school students were selected to collaborate on the multimedia project, which focusses on the ancient Greek myth of Persephone and the four seasons. A full audience listened to an hour-long choir performance conducted by Alain Cazes in conjunction with an audio-visual presentation.

Photo: Matt Faigan



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## Charged with driving under the influence

# Public Security detains driver, leads him off road

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

A black pick-up on Sunnyside at 3:24 am November 1 raised the suspicions of public safety officers, who began keeping it under surveillance over the course of almost an hour, Public Security officials said.

As the vehicle went through stop signs, parked in a driveway, waited and then carried on south to Roslyn, officers finally intervened when the driver got out, stag-

gered around private property and fell back into the middle of the street.

A Montreal man living on St. Patrick St. was detained for police and was reported to have been charged with driving under the influence.

In relating the incident, Public Security director Greg McBain said the Ford pick-up initially came to the attention of patrollers in front of 20 Sunnyside, where they noticed

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# ‘Holiday madnesss’ set for Vic village Nov. 26

The Victoria Village Merchants’ Association and the city are joining forces to kick off the holiday season Thursday, November 26 with a tree lighting at Prince Albert square, District 4 Councillor Rosalind Davis said last week.

“We’ll start with the lighting of the Christmas tree at 6 pm along with carolling and hot chocolate. I’ll be making my favourite *sucre à la crème* recipe, too. I hope everyone will come out and support our neighbourhood merchants and launch

the shopping season.”

Stores will stay open that night and each will be participating in its own way, she said. There will also be costumed mascots on the street.

Efforts to find a tall tree this early in the season – and to install it – are proving to be a challenge, Davis explained. “Public Works is working on ways to anchor a taller tree than last year because guy wires needed for one can’t be put in the public area.”

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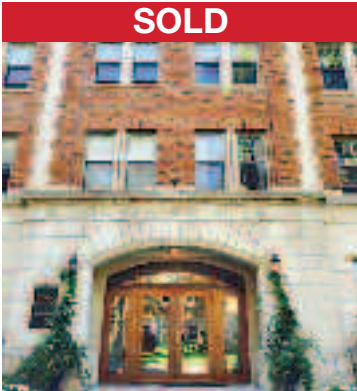


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# New system in PSO patrol cars provides ‘instant’ info

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

How many noisy parties have public safety officers already answered at a particular address? How many calls for barking dogs?

A new automated information system for the Public Security patrol vehicles will enable patrollers to have an almost instantaneous overview of the “tools,” city by-laws and other details they may need at a call.

Two of the system’s five new Panasonic Toughpads have now been installed in the patrol vehicles and all are expected to be fully functional by year end, department director Greg McBain said last week.

“It provides tools for our officers on the street making our job far more effective,” he explained in citing some of the infor-

mation patrollers can immediately access.

At the swipe of a finger, for example, they can connect with city databases to determine the status of contractors they may be interacting with at a worksite or the number of warnings someone has received for violating the parks curfew.

It also frees up time the dispatcher otherwise would spend researching the information at the dispatch office to relay to the officer, McBain said. In the last year, dispatchers have had additional security cameras to monitor, and more are expected to follow.


When a call for assistance comes into the dispatch office, the address is punched into the new system and a whole read-out of history is available in the patrol vehicle, explained dispatcher Shawn Reeves, a 15-year

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Acting Sgt. Patrice Dion shows how the new computer system, has been installed into the patrol vehicle. Inset: Dispatcher Shawn Reeves is at the first step in activating the new system when a patroller is sent to a call. He also monitors the city’s many new surveillance cameras.

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## Uphill side repaved first

# City crews find temporary solution for Belvedere Rd. before reconstruction

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

The city's Public Works crews have completed spreading a top layer of asphalt on the "uphill" side of Belvedere Rd, from Côte des Neiges to the top at Summit Rd., and are now proceeding to the "down" side, weather permitting, Councillor Patrick Martin said last week.

The condition of this winding portion of the street was ranked one of three "worst" in Westmount in an informal poll he called in June (see story June 2, p. 3).

The current re-paving is a stop-gap solution, he explained. The road "will require a complete reconstruction at some point soon."

A feasibility study of the street will be required first because of the complexity of the site, he said. "The road is long, narrow, steep and with several curves. There is no sewer or drainage, and there is bedrock just under the pavement in some locations. There is also no sidewalk."

In the meantime, without going to ten-

der, the city's own crews have been spreading its already contracted supply of hot asphalt for the year to patch the potholes and cracks before adding the new layer.

"People have been asking for the road to be fixed," he said. "But since the uphill side has been done, I've already received a complaint from one person who said the uphill cars are now speeding on the new pavement. I guess you can't please everyone!"

The complaint was not entirely unexpected, however. When Martin, commissioner of Public Works, announced the

poll results, he acknowledged a lack of unanimity on the part of residents.

"For every resident who wants improved access to Côte des Neiges," he stated, "there is one who is very fearful of the additional traffic that would be generated in upper Westmount by this improved road" (see story June 30, p. 1).

Oddly, however, the person who complained about the speeding does not live on the street but now encounters speeding cars on the curves when he uses the street to access Côte des Neiges, Martin said.



Photo courtesy of Patrick Martin

Public Works crews spread top layer of asphalt on Belvedere Rd. near Summit Rd. November 3.

## Police called to ID mother of boy left alone

An 8-year-boy found alone in Westmount Public Library November 7 was turned over to police, Public Security officials said. An employee of the library informed patrollers about the boy at 4:43 pm. The boy stated his mother was supposed to be picking him up. She was reached by phone but spoke only Chinese. The boy communicated to officers that she was instructing him to wait for her at a bus stop on St. Catherine. Police were called to drive the boy to the location to verify the woman's identity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LOST FAITH

Redfern Ave. residents take umbrage with the *Independent's* [secondary] headline "Contentious issue attracts 8 of 100 invited" (November 3, p. 3). While it's true that only eight of the 100 Redfern Ave. residents "invited" showed up to a meeting at city hall to hear Councillor Cynthia Lulham's latest parking solutions for our street – a meeting that Redfern residents had been waiting for her to call since early June as was her promise – the fact that 90 percent of Councillor Lulham's "invitations" were deposited into the mailboxes of the 215 Redfern building – where it is city-mandated that adequate parking (both "visitor" and "owner") must be provided – as well as to the residents of the Kensington apartment block – where parking is also provided for tenants – leaves us to wonder why resident street-parking should be of any concern to them.

Councillor Lulham's pre-meeting email to 11 Redfern Ave. "dwellings" assured residents that, "... tonight at general meeting of council, my proposal for the following was agreed to: That we reinstate the "G" 24-hour resident parking on Redfern, as existed in May 2012."

Parking has not been re-instated as it existed in May 2012. Almost half of resident "G" parking is now being taken away in order to enlarge "visitor parking" on Redfern.

At this latest meeting, Councillor Lulham was confused as to where parking restriction signs were posted in May 2012. She seemed bewildered when residents informed her that back then "G Parking" restrictions went from St. Catherine to just short of de Maisonneuve – the last three spots held for visitors – quite different from what she is now forcing upon Redfern residents.

For Councillor Lulham to state, "... By the fact that [only] eight people showed up, it seemed people were generally happy with the city's plan" is both irresponsible and insulting to Redfern Ave. residents, who have been petitioning her and city hall for four years now to have the parking nightmare that is Redfern Ave. cleaned up.

We have lost faith in Councillor Lulham. And, we are *not* "happy."

RICHARD DUMONT, REDFERN AVE.

STAYING IN WESTMOUNT

In "Leaving Westmount" (Letters to the Editor, November 10, p. 6), contributor Michelle Daines of Verdun offers a distraught and somewhat disillusioned version of the parking situation in Westmount, threatening for the last time to leave Westmount after having received a parking ticket that "broke the camel's back."

While she is certainly entitled to her opinion and to be upset over the current parking situation in Westmount, she then proceeds to bring my business into the fray, accusing us of having "rowdy after-school high school kids at Nick's."

I am perplexed at this [accusation], for it seems out of place given the subject matter she is trying to convey.

I disagree that the "lunchers and cocktail drinkers are abandoning Westmount restaurants" and will go on record to state that my customer base crosses several generations and its continued loyalty is a source of pride. Additionally, our after-school/late-afternoon crowd comes to my establishment for a peaceful and casual ambience, something my regulars value highly, regardless of age.

For the most part, the kids that visit my restaurant are well-behaved and respectful.

Many [customers] have grown up at the restaurant and now bring their own children.

I, for one, am staying in Westmount. It's an oasis and a hidden gem. Sure we have our problems, but I will take a few parking tickets over "leaving Westmount" for greener pastures.

ROB CALLARD, OWNER/OPERATOR OF RESTAURANT CHEZ NICK, GREENE AVE.

HAVE ANOTHER PUBLIC MEETING ON ZONING BY-LAW

The public council meeting scheduled for December 7 is too late for Westmount residents to see the changes, if any, made to the draft zoning bylaw for non-conforming projects.

At that point, the by-law going to council for approval will have been cast in stone. The vast majority of residents still does not fully understand the implications of this new by-law, which is a major change to the way the city proceeds with commercial projects at variance with existing zoning requirements.

Additionally, at the October 22 public consultation, many changes, some complex, were requested by residents. Their incorporation will take time. As the city has been working on the by-law for the last

two years, surely a few extra months of careful deliberation and consultation on the issues would not hurt.

There are also many unanswered questions. One would be whether an initially non-conforming project, after trade-offs between the city and the developer say to preserve heritage value, could now be declared as conforming and not subject to public discussion.

Nor did we get a clear answer regarding the criteria by which the city would designate a project as subject to a referendum versus not subject to one.

These factors are extremely vital for the protection of residents' rights. Once the city has prepared a final by-law but before council approval, I am proposing that Councillor Theodora Samiotis hold another public discussion with Westmount residents. This would greatly ease the concern of residents and perhaps even lead to a better law for Westmount.

DENIS BIRO, BURTON AVE. PRINCE ALBERT AVE.

LEAF BLOWING TOTALLY UNNECESSARY

Leaf blowing has never been carried out on my property in Westmount during the 37 years I have lived here.

In the past, I have simply continued to mow my lawn, thereby cutting up the leaves as they fall, which provides mulch for the grass.

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ment, I did not mow the leaves last fall and left them as they fell (see top photo, p. 6). This spring, before cutting my grass, [the leaves] had disappeared by the end of May, making my lawn no different in appearance from my neighbour's lawns (see bottom, p. 6).

The blowing of leaves is unnecessary, disturbingly noisy (hence the by-laws regulating it), an uncalled for use of bags, labour and machinery and is not planet-friendly.

Furthermore, it costs the city of Westmount time and money for leaf collection, which will be reflected in our tax assessments.

ARNOLD SHARP, SEVERN AVE.

**REVIEW PROJECTS AT CONCEPTUAL STAGE**

My letter printed in the *Independent* October 27 ("Early input on special projects") was based on reading the draft text found on the city of Westmount's website in advance of the meeting.

At the meeting itself and in several discussions after, it has become apparent that the very nature of this by-law is not well understood, and the consultation meeting itself offered no clarity, notably with re-

spect to zoning revisions as commonly understood in the city and the then automatic process leading to a referendum.

By-law 1489 proposes to replace the conventionally understood definition of a zoning change, notably with respect to occupancy, height, density, heritage, set-backs, etc.

A project accepted for review under the SCAOPI process would not constitute zoning changes. It would permit the city to accept trade-offs based on certain circumstances on certain sites resulting from existing provisions and just about any criteria that Westmount deems worthy of special consideration.

At the meeting, although not perfectly clear between the planning department and the legal department, a change in the zoning would still lead to a right of review via a referendum, but as proposed the accepted variances/trade-offs would not be considered zoning changes.

The entire proposed by-law is in effect the zoning change, and a no referendum clause has been included in this by-law itself.

If the trade-offs are not considered zoning changes, then the definition of what is would actually ensure that the project is subject to a referendum at the end of the process. As proposed in ..... the by-law such definition *continued on p. 19*

**Celebrating 50th anniversary of Quebec/Italy relations**

A dinner reception hosted by Jacques Chagnon, provincial legislator for Westmount-St. Louis and Gian Lorenzo Cornado, ambassador of Italy to Canada, was held October 28 at the provincial legislature. It was part of a series of gala events that were held in Quebec City to mark the 50th anniversary of Quebec-Italy relations. The province's delegation in Italy was inaugurated in 1965. From left: Enrico Padula, consul general of Italy in Montreal; Amalia Daniela Renosto, Quebec delegate in Italy; Christine St-Pierre, minister of International Relations; Cornado; Fucsia Nissoli, member of the Italian parliament; Chagnon; Westmounter Don Taddeo, Quebec delegate in Italy from 1988-1992; Robert Poëti, minister of Transport; and Francesca La Marca, member of the Italian parliament.

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## Police Report

# Computer gear stolen, teens suspected in cell phone theft

By MARTIN C. BARRY

*The following news story is based on information from police reports provided by a Station 12 constable in an interview with the reporter.*

Police at Station 12 on Stanton St. say a theft of items from a car parked in a driveway on Church Hill more than two weeks before was only reported to them on November 2.

According to community relations officer Stéphan Laperrière sometime during the afternoon and evening of October 17 and the morning of October 18 a Nissan Infiniti parked behind a home at 36 Church Hill was broken in to. He said computer equipment was stolen from the vehicle.

Laperrière's advice: under no circumstances should any car owner feel so confident as to leave valuables such as a portable computer inside a vehicle, especially without at least trying to conceal it. "Make sure you keep everything out of view or stashed in a safe area of your car," he said.

On November 3 around 7 pm to November 4 around 7:40 am, a Toyota Lexus parked in a driveway on Kensington Ave. was stolen. Since evidence of forced entry into the car such as broken window glass wasn't mentioned in the police report, it is assumed the vehicle was either unlocked or the perpetrator was somehow able to use a key.

"I don't know how they could have gotten past the car's electronic entry system," said Laperrière, while adding that "the complainant said he still had his two keys." He said the number of reports of car thefts in Westmount has not gone up recently.

"I can't say it's something that happens frequently. There are some that happen outside Westmount on our station's territory such as in Ville Marie, but this is just the second one that I'm aware of in Westmount since August."

### Police investigating cell phone thefts by roaming teens

An investigation is under way by officers at Station 12 following two assault-and-robbery incidents in Westmount on the evening of November 6 when a roaming gang of teenagers allegedly stole three cell phones while armed with a knife.

According to a complaint made by one teenaged victim in the first incident, at

around 8:30 pm, he and some friends were walking on Kensington Ave. near the corner of de Maisonneuve Blvd. when they were accosted by a group of eight to ten teens, one of whom asked for a cigarette.

After a brief exchange, one of the suspects struck one of the victims in the face with a fist, grabbed his cell phone and took off. Another suspect is alleged to have drawn a knife while ordering a second victim to surrender his cell phone, which he did after being struck in the face and kicked.

A little more than a half hour later on Sherbrooke near Grosvenor, a similar incident involving suspects described as "minors" took place. The two victims, both teenagers, were walking along Sherbrooke, when a gang of up to 10 teens came from behind and demanded cell phones.

"They refused to give their cell phones," said Station 12 community relations officer Adalbert Pimentel, while adding that one of the suspects began pushing one of the victims around while frisking him to locate his phone, which was then taken. The second victim refused to surrender his phone, and the suspects didn't succeed in stealing it. However, according to Pimentel, a knife wasn't used in this second incident.

Pimentel said he couldn't reveal whether any arrests in conjunction with the above incidents were made since the suspects are minors. "All I can tell you is that these individuals are being actively investigated right now as potential suspects in these events," he said.

He added that the police are checking to see if any video cameras along Sherbrooke St. may have captured some of the activity in the second incident. He said they know there were no video cameras for the first one on Kensington.

Pimentel's advice to anyone who might face similar threats: "People shouldn't put up a fight or resist – it's not worth it, especially if someone is holding a knife. Your safety should come first. Stay calm and then go to a safe place where you can call 911."

### Mailbox robbery on de Maisonneuve

Investigators at Station 12 suspect that a robbery of mail from the central mailbox in the lobby of an apartment building on de Maisonneuve Blvd. near the corner of Olivier Ave. may have been the work of an individual specializing in ..... identity theft.

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# City now requires proof of asbestos levels for interior renos

LAUREEN SWEENEY

The city’s Urban Planning department recently began requiring proof of asbestos levels during major interior renovations, department director Joanne Poirier confirmed last week after inquiries from the *Independent*.

The new policy is to ensure that the testing is carried out by a contractor certified to do so in accordance with the provincial regulation for the health and safety of workers – and also for residents, she said.

Many of Westmount’s buildings date to the turn of the previous century when asbestos was regularly used in plaster and other building materials, Poirier explained. The city is not enforcing the government regulations but rather ensuring that they are carried out properly.

“We’re not taking the word of any ‘Joe Blow,’” she said.

She said the information is required dur-

ing the permit process in which interior demolition or stripping is involved. “We’re talking about opening or removing a wall or relocating a doorway. Not window replacement. That’s minor.”

While most contractors are well aware of their responsibility to protect their workers when the presence of asbestos exceeds a certain level, she said, “the health and safety of residents is also important for those who may be living in the house during the work.”

The government regulations require that workers dealing with asbestos be outfitted in required gear and take numerous other precautions including the disposal of the asbestos-contaminated material.

Asbestos is a known carcinogen. The friable or crumbling form has been generally outlawed since the 1980s. Some insulating materials and drywalls were among products in which it was used.

## Driving cont’d. from p. 1

the driver dressed entirely in black.

As they began observing him for possible criminal activity, the pick-up took off heading west on Sunnyside through stop signs at Gorden Cresc., Lexington, Upper Belmont and Upper Lansdowne. It was described as “driving erratically and over the speed limit.”

Then, however, the pick-up pulled into a driveway at 717 Upper Lansdowne and parked with its lights off. Later, as officers were checking out a house nearby, the pick-up pulled out and headed down to Roslyn stopping at civic number 630 near the school.

As officers parked further north, the driver was seen falling out of the pick-up and staggering onto the private property. He then began trying to get back into the

pick-up, setting off its alarm four times. On the last attempt, he backed into the middle of the street.

“For his own safety, our officers decided to intervene,” McBain said. “They assisted him onto the sidewalk, where he was told he was being detained for police.” The man appeared to recognize the officers.

A small cut on his forehead was believed to have occurred during one of the falls, but he claimed not to know how it had happened. A report stated that alcohol could be smelled on his breath. The man was turned over to police on their arrival at 4:24 am.

“In the end [our officers] may have prevented a serious traffic accident,” McBain said.



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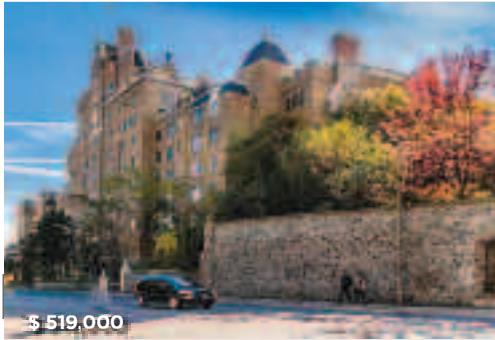
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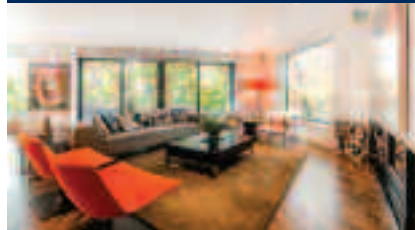


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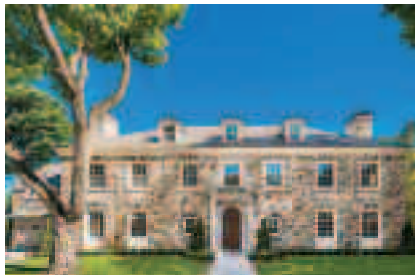


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# October sales: Higher



## Mood of the Market

ANDY DODGE, CRA

*The following article relates to offers to purchase Westmount residential dwellings that were reported by local real estate agents as having been accepted in October 2015. Because they are not final registered sales, the addresses cannot be made public but give a good idea of current trends in local real estate activity. The graph on p. 13 offers a picture of these trends over time.*

Westmount real estate faced a very good month in October, with 15 sales logged by local agents and three of those at more than \$2 million, but the average mark-up over city valuation actually dropped from almost 10 percent in September to 3.5 percent last month.

Only four properties sold below valuation but then only three others sold for more than a 10-percent mark-up, and in fact all three were in a virtual tie at 13 percent above tax value.

Volume was above average in October but does not appear to have been affected by the federal election, with 12 of the 15 sales taking place before the election results were announced on October 19. Highest price was \$3,850,000 for a mid-level mansion, and two others had prices of \$2,500,000 and \$2,100,000, while in September the highest price (recorded after

last month's column appeared) was \$2,050,000.

Five sales were negotiated for less than \$1 million, and, in fact, the price range of those five was between \$705,000 and \$835,000, and only one more was less than \$1,175,000, so the spread between the lower priced Westmount houses and the mid-range properties may be widening.

None of the house prices negotiated in October were between \$1,380,000 and \$2,100,000, so the spread between mid-range and high-priced houses may be widening as well.

Average time on the market leapt from 111 days in September to 184 days last month; only two sales took less than a month to sell, and two had been shown for more than a year.

Three condominium sales were logged in October, one in a former duplex for \$430,000 and two apartments for \$625,000 and \$1,200,000. Two of the three went for less than valuation, and the average mark-up was 0.3 percent after the previous quarter (July through September) showed an average mark-up of 9 percent. So far this year the average mark-up for condos is 7.4 percent, almost exactly what it was in 2014, an indication prices have not moved at all in this category.

Five houses and a duplex-type condo sold in adjacent-Westmount areas, generally for slightly lower than average mark-ups but with house prices ranging from \$820,000 to \$1,222,500. The number of home sales in adjacent-  
Westmount is slated to *continued on p. 1*

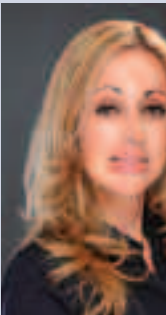


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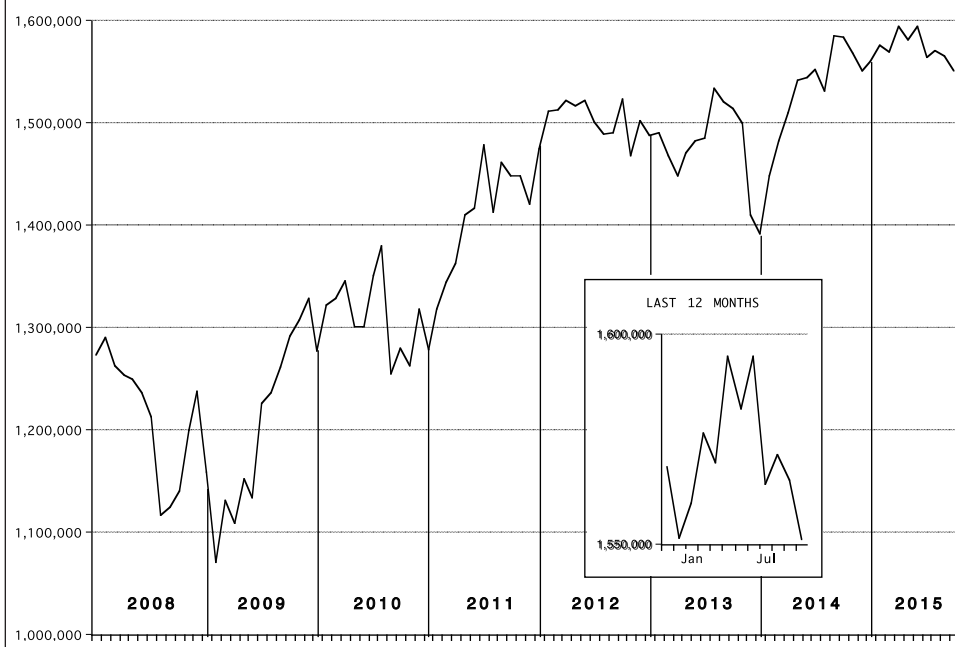
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As of November 12, the number of houses listed for sale has dropped to 151 from 164 a month ago, but almost all of the

reduction is in the \$1-million to \$2-million price range. There are still 65 houses asking more than \$2 million and half of those – 32 – are asking more than \$3 million. One more house was rented in October, bringing the total this year to 25.

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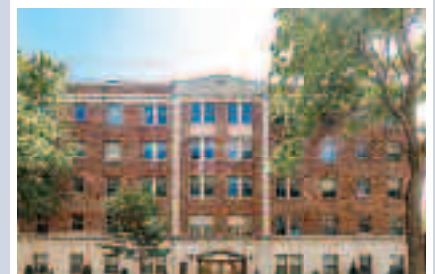
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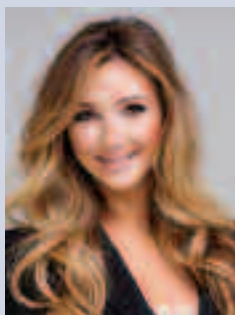


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Westmount Art Scene

Kasirer-Smibert, Downey: Fresh yet familiar

By HEATHER BLACK

Westmounter Sam Kasirer-Smibert's bold and vibrant abstracts and Shaun Downey's refined figurative art caught the eye recently at local art galleries.

Although familiar in content, both are fresh takes on traditional genres.

*Kasirer-Smibert at The Gallery  
at Victoria Hall*

The exhibition *Atro Versiamo* featured swirling abstracts in vivid red, yellow and green. Characterized by the juxtaposition of primary colours spread across a flat picture plane evokes Jean-Paul Jérôme's bold palette. Rhythmic brush work and a minimalist approach recalls Leopold Plotek's strong sense of design.

In the gold, blue and turquoise composition "Gyro," pulsating, central shapes appear to converse. In contrast, in "Untitled Composition #408," red and blue tango against vivid lime. Dynamic movement also dominates "Untitled Composition #85," where a central lime shape evokes a spinning figure. With emphasis on simple shapes, Leopold Plotek's "The Devonside"

is recalled as are the colour harmonies of Jean-Paul Jérôme's mid-1980s canvases, "Le festival chimère" or "Le monde des mers."

Colour freed from context is the subject of the exhibition *Atro Versiamo*. Here Kasirer-Smibert invites viewers to enjoy the sensory dynamic of colour on colour or establish their own narrative. A contemporary take on the break-down of the barriers between popular culture and fine art, the exhibition ended November 13.



Sam Kasirer-Smibert  
"Untitled Composition  
#408"

*Downey at Galerie de Bellefeuille*

Downey's imagery of women are realistic yet mysterious and alluring. Meticulously executed in oils and painted within everyday environments, his subjects are

classic. The era is uncertain, though clothes and decor suggest 1920 as well as 2020. Like Christopher Pratt or Alex Colville, Downey recreates a narrative moment with individuals suspended between fiction and reality.

In "Red Suitcase," a young woman dressed in white holding a briefcase pauses in front of a closed door. Framed against cool grey architecture, she appears small yet not insignificant. In "Gosia Profile," an elegant woman painted in profile against floral wallpaper recalls Pratt's "Woman at a Dresser."

In contrast, for "Into the Distance," a woman peering through a window with opera glasses evokes comparison to the subject of Colville's "To Prince Edward Island."

Downey's meticulous *continued on p. 18*



Shaun Downey "Into the Distance"

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next spring when the tulips will be in bloom," said Councillor Nicole Forbes, Commissioner of Cultural Events.

Eighty nine year-old Canadian Navy electronics technician Charles Eddis, centre, with Councillor Nicole Forbes, commissioner of Cultural Events (on his right) and honorary consul of the Netherlands Michael Polak (in background behind Forbes) stand with the Westmount Park and 2nd Westmount Scouts, from left: Naima Warkus, Paul Prendergast, Alissa Acre-Hosein and her brother Russell, who is seen tilling the earth.

BY RALPH THOMPSON

About 50 people gathered in the Westmount Public Library's Westmount Room November 6 to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Holland.

After several speeches, people gathered outside to watch the planting of red and white tulip bulbs to create a 70th anniversary Dutch-Canadian "Friendship Tulip Garden." It is one of 140 planted across Canada to mark the anniversary and the end of World War II.

"In Holland, it's as if the war ended yesterday," said Westmounter and honorary consul of the Netherlands, Michael Polak. "The children and grandchildren of veterans continue to tend to the graves of the fallen soldiers."

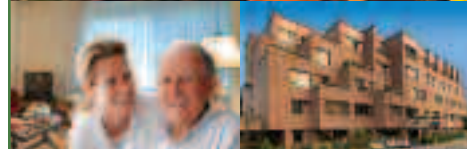
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**Le mercredi 25 novembre, 10 h 15.** Le Groupe de poésie de Westmount compose des poèmes à partir de thèmes proposés par les membres. Bienvenue à tous. Info : 514 989-5299.

**Rencontres d'auteurs: Elaine Kalman Naves**  
**Le mercredi 25 novembre à 19 h.** Rencontrez Elaine Kalman Naves, auteure de *The Book of Faith*. Billets gratuits disponibles à la Bibliothèque. Info : 514 989-5300.

**Ciné-club : *Mr. Holmes***  
**Le vendredi 27 novembre, 14 h.** Billets gratuits disponibles à la Bibliothèque. Info: 514-989-5300.



**La Bibliothèque - après la fermeture POUR LES ENFANTS !**  
**Le samedi 28 novembre, 19 h.** Viens redécouvrir ta bibliothèque ! Tu es invité à prendre part à une chasse au trésor sur Instagram. Collation servie. Pour les 7 ans et plus ; inscription requise. Info: 514-989-5229.

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**Le samedi 28 novembre, 19 h.** Redécouvrez votre bibliothèque lors d'une soirée de musique, de petites bouchées et consommations. Info : 514-989-5300.

## Prochaine séance du conseil le lundi 7 décembre

## ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES

**Exposition: John Davidson, Geneviève Roy et Elizabeth Tsuk**  
**Du 19 novembre au 12 décembre, Galerie du Victoria Hall.** La galerie est fière de présenter les œuvres de John Davidson, Geneviève Roy et Elizabeth Tsuk. Horaire : lundi au vendredi, midi à 18 h ; samedi et dimanche, midi à 17 h. Info : 514 989-5521.

**Vaccin contre l'influenza : clinique CLSC**  
**Le mercredi 25 novembre, Victoria Hall, 9 h 30 à 19 h.** Le CLSC Métro offre gratuitement le vaccin contre l'influenza (grippe) aux résidents admissibles. Apportez votre carte d'assurance maladie. Info : 514 731-8531.

**Fêtes en folie**  
**Le jeudi 26 novembre, 18 h, Square Prince-Albert.** Soyez des nôtres pour l'illumination du sapin avec choristes, chocolat chaud et plus. Les commerces seront ouverts jusqu'à 21 h et offriront des aubaines et des activités spéciales. Présenté en collaboration avec l'Association des marchands du Village Victoria. Info : 514-989-5226.

**La gestion des eaux de pluie à Westmount**  
**Le jeudi 26 novembre, 19 h, Bibliothèque.** Tyson Munday, Service de l'aménagement urbain, discutera des types d'aménagement paysager pour prévenir les inondations.

**Concert : Une veillée victorienne**  
**Le mercredi 2 décembre, 19 h 30, Victoria Hall.** La Société opératique de l'ouest de Montréal présente *A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas* et autres pièces choisies. Billets (20 \$ 15 \$ et 10 \$), disponibles au 514 990-8813, [www.mwos.org](http://www.mwos.org) et au Victoria Hall. Info : 514-989-5226.

**Illumination de l'arbre de Noël**  
**Le lundi 7 décembre, 18 h 30, Hall.** Joignez-vous aux élus municipaux à l'occasion de cette célébration des fêtes. Info : 514 989-5226.

## SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE

**Rappel : stationnement sécuritaire en pente**  
L'équipe de la Sécurité publique rappelle aux conducteurs de braquer les roues avant vers le trottoir et d'engager le frein à main en stationnant sur les pentes. Info : 514 989-5222.

**Collecte d'aliments à Westmount**  
**Jusqu'au 11 décembre.** JoSoutenez la campagne annuelle de la Sécurité publique au profit des plus démunis en déposant des denrées non périssables dans les bacs prévus à cette fin dans les édifices municipaux. Info : 514 989-5222.

## LIBRARY

**Reading group for Joyce's *Finnegans Wake*: *The Boaters and Sifters of ALP***  
**Wednesday, November 18, 7 p.m.** Join the circle skimming the surface or sifting through the layers of James Joyce's *Finnegans Wake*. Bring an open mind and a copy of the book. Info: 514 989-5300.

**Friends of the library Book Sale**  
**Saturday and Sunday, November 21 & 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** All proceeds go towards the purchase of new materials for the Library. Info: 514-989-5300.

**Cat & Katz - Writing Workshop (ages 9-13)**  
**Saturday, November 21, 2 to 3:30 p.m.** With Andrew Katz and Catherine McGuire. Info: 514 989-5229 or [www.westlib.org/JeunesKids](http://www.westlib.org/JeunesKids).

**French Book Club**  
**Monday, November 23, 1 p.m.** Works by Andreï Makine. Info: 514 989-5300.

**English Book Club**  
**Tuesday, November 24, 7 p.m.** Discussion: *The Diviners* by Margaret Laurence. Info: 514 989-5300.

**Poetry Workshop with Ann Lloyd**  
**Wednesday, November 25, 10:15 a.m.** The Westmount Poetry Group meets to compose poetry together, working with themes proposed by members. Everyone welcome. Info: 514 989-5300.

**Author Lecture Series: Elaine Kalman Naves**  
**Wednesday, November 25, 7 p.m.** Meet Elaine Kalman Naves, author of *The Book of Faith*. Free tickets available at the Library. Info: 514 989-5300.

**Film Club: *Mr. Holmes***  
**Friday, November 27, 2 p.m.** Free tickets available at the Library. Info: 514-989-5300.

**After hours at the library FOR KIDS!**  
**Saturday, November 28, 7 p.m.** Come rediscover your Library! You are invited to take part in a fun but informative Instagram Scavenger Hunt! Refreshments will be served. Seven years old and up; registration required. Info: 514-989-5229.

**After hours at the library**  
**Saturday, November 28, 7 p.m.** Rediscover your library during an evening of music, light bites and delicious drinks. Info: 989-5300.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Exhibition: John Davidson, Geneviève Roy and Elizabeth Tsuk**  
**November 19 to December 12, Gallery at Victoria Hall.** The Gallery is pleased to feature an exhibition of works by these three artists. Please note the following opening hours for this exhibition: Monday to Friday, noon to 6p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, noon to 5p.m. Info: 514 989-5521.

## Next Council Meeting Monday, December 7

**CLSC Flu Vaccination Clinic**  
**Wednesday, November 25, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Victoria Hall.** The CLSC Metro will offer a free influenza (flu) vaccination clinic at Victoria Hall for seniors, infants and special needs individuals. Please bring your medicare card. Info: CLSC 514-731-8531.

**Holiday Madness**  
**Thursday, November 26, 6 p.m., Prince Albert Square.** Join in the tree lighting at Prince Albert Square, with carolers, hot chocolate and more. Stores open until 9 p.m. Special offers, sales, bonuses and treats. Presented collaboration with the Victoria Village Merchants Association. Info : 514-989-5226.

**Stormwater Management in Westmount**  
**Thursday, November 26, 7 p.m., Library.** Tyson Munday, Urban Planning Department, will speak about hard and soft landscaping to prevent flooding.

**Concert : A Very Victorian Holiday**  
**Wednesday, December 2, 7:30 p.m., Victoria Hall.** The Montreal West-End Operatic Society presents *A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas*, with favourites from the company's repertoire. Tickets (\$20, \$15, \$10), available at 514 990-8813, [mwos.org](http://mwos.org), and Victoria Hall. Info : 514-989-5226.

**Christmas Tree Lighting**  
**Monday, December 7, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.** Join City Council members for this holiday celebration. Info: 514 989-5226.

## PUBLIC SECURITY

**Reminder: parking safely on slopes**  
The Westmount Public Safety team reminds drivers to turn the front wheels to the sidewalk and use the hand brake when parking on Westmount's slopes. Info: 514 989-5222.

**Holiday Food Drive in Westmount**  
**Until December 11.** Support Public Security's annual food drive with a donation of non-perishable food items for the needy. Collection bins are located in City buildings. Info: 514 989-5222





# Lawyer Soden builds professional ‘circles of support’ around elderly clients

By JOANNE PENHALE

Westmount is home-base to a province-wide *pro bono* legal clinic that promotes and protects the rights of people over 60 – and all the way into their 100s.

“Older persons like many other groups who’ve been marginalized ... do not think that their most important problems in life have a legal rights component,” said Ann Soden, a lawyer and mediator, who founded the Elder Law Clinic in 2007. Its clients often have some measure of diminished capacity, Soden said.

“There is a right to be treated with dignity and respect, to be treated as a person who has autonomy, even if we are having some problems with forgetfulness [for example],” Soden said.

People who are infantilized, manipulated or controlled by a family member, Soden said, might think it’s their own fault. They might be afraid of asserting their rights, she said, not wanting to demonstrate mistrust, alienate a family member or caregiver, or invite reprisals.

Older adults can also get a premature or generalized diagnosis of incapacity, losing control of decision-making, autonomy and civil rights, Soden said, when support, assistance and less formal protections are all that may be needed.

“We need to support people, not control their lives,” she said.

“I’m out there fighting every day for people who would be otherwise placed in res-



Ann Soden, founder of the Elder Law Clinic, said she fights every day for people who would be otherwise placed in residential care. She was photographed October 21 at the clinic in the Atwater Library.

idential care,” Soden said. In private or public care, people can get treated in paternalistic ways or as though they aren’t competent even when they are, she said.

“People should be treated as if they are in their own home with the best quality care regardless of their socio-economic status,” she said, adding she works with government policy to promote a person’s choice to stay home.

“The greatest problem is with those who are undefended, those who have no one in their lives,” Soden said. “No one... knows what their values are, what their wishes are, if they get to a point where they can’t communicate that any longer.”

The clinic aims to surround its clients

with “circles of support,” she said. Its volunteers include accountants, lawyers, notaries, former judges and law students. Professionals, including social workers, doctors or bankers, Soden said, as well as a client’s family members may be invited to attend multidisciplinary meetings, where a client’s wishes and values are at the heart of the meeting and witnessed by all.

“We know that all of these problems have a social dimension, have a psychological dimension, and so we work hand in hand with other professionals,” Soden said.

Soden also advises people to protect themselves *continued on p. 18*

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PUBLIC NOTICE

We would like to inform you that all patient files of Dr Paul Knechtel, chiropractor are transferred to Dr Thanh-My Patricia Ho, chiropractor. **Chiro+Physio Westmount** will continue to operate at the same address: 4823 rue Sherbrooke W., #115, Westmount. For more information, please call 514-937-6550.

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Lun/Mon 13h-19h  
Mar/Tues 8h-19h  
Mer/Wed 7h-13h  
Jeu/Thurs 8h-19h  
Ven/Fri 7h-13h  
Sam/Sat 10h-14h

Car blocks driveway, costs driver \$191

A parked car was towed from obstructing a driveway on Hillside Ave. November 7, according to Public Security reports. A ticket for \$191 included a \$75 towing fee along with the fine for blocking a driveway of \$90 and a court fee of \$26.

Art Scene cont'd. from p. 14

eye and brush strokes celebrate the presence of ordinariness. Skilled in conveying light and shadow, in the portrait "White Dervla," a young woman bathed in sunlight appears idealized. In contrast, the subject of "Red Room" is depicted on a bed within a warm red of desire. This interesting exhibition continues until November 17 at 1367 Greene Ave.

Renewed genre

Creating order and beauty within the genre of figurative and abstract art, these artists drew the viewer in. New yet familiar, Kasirer-Smibert's colour harmonies and Downey's narratives were intimate yet universal. Skillfully balancing shapes or subjects within complex colour or settings, the works of both artists were worthy of a second glance.

Elder law clinic cont'd. from p. 17

when entering into power-of-attorney agreements or creating mandates in case of incapacity. Such documents should have provisions for reporting and accounting, which they rarely do, Soden said, and it's beneficial to have a third party oversee that.

Soden is also the executive director of the National Institute of Law, Policy and Aging. Through it and the Quebec and Canadian bars, she said, she helps inform government policy, including Quebec's end-of-life legislation that will take effect this December.

"I'm all for self-determination. What I'm concerned about is there will be a slippery slope," Soden said. "As soon as you begin to desensitize people about offering euthanasia, then very quickly there's advocacy to change the law and to broaden it."

Soden said she's concerned end-of-life rights would extend to young people who

are intellectually incapable, for example. The Elder Law Clinic has taken on 75 cases this year – largely dealt with outside of the courts, Soden said, and it provides 4,000 hours of direct client services each year, throughout the province. Its office is in the Atwater Library.

Homes evacuated for gas leak

A gas leak on Prince Albert between Windsor and Côte St. Antoine was caused October 27 when a Bell Canada contractor hit a gas line at about 10:20 am, Public Security officials said. Houses between 500 and 549 Prince Albert were evacuated as well as one on St. George's Place. Firefighters and Gaz Metro personnel were also on the scene, and all was described as "restored" by 11:03 am.

Comin' Up

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Centre Greene's annual Treats & Treasures craft sale and bazaar, 10 am to 4 pm. Artisans' work, baked goods, raffle, a light lunch and the Empty Bowls project. Admission is free; proceeds to go to centre's community programs. 1090 Greene Ave. Info: 514.931.6202.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Friends of the Westmount Library's sale of used books, CDs and DVDs at Victoria Hall, 10 am to 5 pm to benefit the Westmount Public Library.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Citizens and local merchants are invited by Station 12 police to participate in a meeting in preparation of 2016 police plan of action. 7 pm to 9 pm at the Westmount Public Library. Reserve: 514.280.0312 or

pdq12@spvm.qc.ca.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

"Holiday madness" tree lighting at Prince Albert square, 6 pm, stores are supposed to be staying open. See story, p. 3.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Westmount Toastmasters is having an inspirational speech contest and guest night, 6:45 pm to 9 pm at Victoria Hall. Free. Info: 514.475.2594.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

Westmount city council meeting, 8 pm at city hall.

WEEKLY ON TUESDAYS

"Cognitive Principles" meeting at the Westmount Y, 7 pm. Register: 514.485.2194. Donations. Self-help group for issues in fear, stress, depression, anxiety, gambling addiction, more.

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# More Letters to the Editor

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is extremely vague.

It also remains that the criteria for such discretionary evaluations be established on issues requiring trade-offs, be it on a percent basis, an equivalence basis or an aesthetic/heritage concern. Continuous use and benefits to the city are equally valid criteria.

There also remains the question of any referendum as to the directly affected residents and those not directly affected.

The current system leaves the responsibility of obtaining support from residents in contiguous zones not directly affected by any particular project.

In many circumstances, their losses may well result in benefits to the city overall, which explains clearly why the issue of compensation was raised in the meeting. Ditto for those affected by the actual construction and possible consequences in the future.

All the more reason that the projects proposed to be considered under this new by-law should first be subject to a review and right to have a referendum at the conceptual stage before it is permitted to be reviewed under this by-law.

KEN LONDON, ARCHITECT,  
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## STANDING ALONE

Unlike our sister cities of Town of Mount Royal, Côte St. Luc, Hampstead, etc., Westmount stands alone among the

officially designated bilingual cities in refusing to remove its unilingual French traffic/parking signs and to assert its rights

under the Charter of the French Language to have those signs put up in both official languages.

## Wildlife in Westmount



This photo of a raccoon was taken through a glass door leading to a Grenville Ave. back deck at about 8:30 am October 8. The homeowner Jane Young "noticed the critter roughing up the outdoor mat, and then when I started taking photos, it came right up to me on the other side of the glass, and as you can see, was quite keen to explore what was going on inside. Needless to say his pleading was denied." Photo courtesy of J. Young



Photo courtesy of E. Patterson

A falcon sits atop a fence in a back yard on Kitchener November 1, clasping a dead squirrel. It was seen attacking and killing its prey then taking it back into its nest in a tree on Redfern, according to witness Elisabeth Patterson.

## Lift breaks down

Contractors working on a roof at 318 Elm were allowed to complete their work after hours November 5, Public Security officials said. A complaint had been received about work in progress at 9:30 pm. Roofers stated they could not leave a hole in the roof and would be finished in 30 to 40 minutes. The lift they were using had broken down delaying the process. They had a permit to occupy the street.

## Anglade wins provincial seat

Westmounter Dominique Anglade won a by-election to represent St. Henri-St. Anne as a Liberal in the provincial legislature on November 9. She was formerly president of the Coalition Avenir Québec (CAQ) and ran for it in Laval in the 2012 provincial election.

## LOCAL CLASSIFIEDS

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## QUEBEC CLASSIFIEDS

### Announcements

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By not asserting its rights under the law, Westmount not only appears to condone the steady erosion of the English face of the city but as well insults those of its citizens and taxpayers who are being denied rights accorded to them under the law.

It is high time that the mayor and his councillors stopped studying the issue and start to listen to the voices of its citizens and to act to protect those rights that are currently being denied to them.

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Pookie's beloved mistress passed away, and he is now in a foster family and looking for a permanent home. He is affectionate and looks like he is always listening very attentively. He loves to fall asleep to light music and snoozes in the warm sun on the carpet or on the windowsill.

For more information on Pookie, please contact Gerdy's Rescue and Adoptions at the pager number 514.203.9180 or by email



at [info@gerdysrescue.org](mailto:info@gerdysrescue.org).

For more information on the activities at Gerdy's, you might be interested in consulting [www.gerdysrescue.org](http://www.gerdysrescue.org) to find out more about their adoptions.

*Your neighbour, Lysanne*

## Station 12 cont'd. from p. 8

Shortly after midnight on November 7, a witness saw the suspect opening the mailbox's main door, which is normally accessed only by Canada Post. Although 911 was called, the suspect – who had previously been seen in the area by the witness – was able to retrieve the mail and leave.

Pimentel said that since there was no evidence the mailbox was forced open, the investigators consider it a possibility that the suspect used a key. He also said that in that particular apartment building an occupant had previously been the victim of an identity theft. He said that investigators at Station 12 had dealt at least once several years ago with a mail theft incident at an apartment building involving the use of a stolen mailbox master key.

## Collision at Kensington corner

On November 10 at around 9:35 am, police from Station 12 responded to a call for assistance following a collision between a BMW and a Toyota at the corner of Kensington Ave. and Sherbrooke St. According to the official report, the BMW was headed north on Kensington while the Toyota was heading west on Sherbrooke.

While the drivers, both of whom were senior citizens, claimed to have the right of way, the BMW struck the Toyota on the driver side. Pimentel said one of the drivers was a Westmounter, without specifying which vehicle the person was in. Although the driver of the BMW had no apparent injuries, that person was transported by Urgences Santé to St. Mary's Hospital.

# Retail Watch



BY VERONICA REDGRAVE

## Pampered Pets moves but stays in Vic village

Pampered Pets, loved by owners who, well, pamper their pets, has moved. Formerly on Victoria Ave., the shop is now on Sherbrooke near Claremont, according to owner-groomer Anna Maria Ranieri. It is at basement level and has a bright fuchsia sign. The telephone number remains the same.

*What I loved? A tiny to-die-for turquoise vest to keep the little furry one warm!*

Pampered Pets is now at 4937 Sherbrooke St.

## New place to get a mani-pedi

Adding to the many manicure-pedicure (colloquially referred to as mani-pedi) places in Westmount, Ongles Helen Nails opened in September. Handily open seven days a week (as most of them are), the friendly young women offer a full range of nail treatments, including the popular shellac application, which can last up to a month. As well as the mani-pedi, Ongles Helen also has brow shaping epilation, facials, massage and lash extensions.

Ongles Helen Nails is located at 4146A St. Catherine St.

## Sarah Pacini opens in Westmount

Opened two and a half months ago, Sarah Pacini has added a shop here to its international collection. The chic new shop is located on Sherbrooke St.

Store manager Azim Jaffer said there are already locations in "Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, UK, US and Ireland." As befits the made-in-Italy ladies' collection, the boutique is streamlined and simple, the better to showcase comfy knits and stunning satins. I noticed that black is back with a vengeance.

*What I loved? Fabulous necklaces. Black metal-plated pieces that look like hematite.*

Sarah Pacini is at 4919 Sherbrooke St.

## Olives en Folie

The *Independent* first reported, in its March 10 edition, hints of a new store on Victoria Ave. selling "fine cooking oil." Now more than half a year later, shoppers can discover a selection of olive oils from all over the world.

They are re-packaged in the shop's branded bottles. There are 24 different varieties of balsamic vinegar and 23 infused olive oils. Some are kosher.

Tasting is possible – either with bread or popcorn for those with gluten allergies.

Beware: they are so delicious I bought three kinds. Owned by Westmounters Roshi Chadha and Claire Mullins Kruyt (who is behind the annual Toy Tea at Ogilvy), the store also carries amazing locally-sourced chocolates, teapots and soaps.

*What I loved? The solid pink Himalayan salt block. It's like a lovely sculpture. You cook on it and can then serve from it.*

Olives en Folie is at 386 Victoria Ave. and is open six days a week.

# Brush fire put out in Summit Woods, trio questioned

A group of three people were warned by public safety officers against trying to set a small fire for "ambiance" in Summit Woods November 4, Public Security officials said. Officers came across the trio at 8 pm while answering a complaint from a citizen who reported putting out some burning brush.

When questioned, the trio were using flashlights and appearing to search for something on the ground. One of them told officers they were looking for a dry area to light a small fire to relax by. He was identified as a 19-year-old Montreal resident.

The three were expelled from the park with a warning about the city by-law prohibiting fires in parks and how even a small one might escalate.

## Toughpads cont'd. from p. 4

veteran of the job.

During the call, the responding officer can also use the internet to access Canada 411, research companies and personnel, and other needed websites.

After the call, officers can park on the street or in a public lot and type their report of the incident directly into the Toughpad rather than returning to the station to do the paperwork. This is one of the big advantages, McBain said. "They remain visible and save time."

The system, which is similar to one that has been in use by police for some time, will be fully functional by the end of the year when the full complement of units is received, he said.

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# Inspiring ‘Momento’ evening held for cancer foundation



## Social Notes from Westmount and Beyond

VERONICA REDGRAVE

One of the hippest restaurants in Montreal hosted an inspiring event on September 30. Le Richmond, the Griffintown hot spot ably manned by **Luc Laroche** and **Ibti Saadi**, welcomed guests to “Momento,” a fundraiser for the Fondation québécoise du cancer.

The evening was in honour of foundation ambassador **Laurie Dion**, who has brain cancer. Dressed in a gorgeous crinkly black skirt by Quebec designer **Marie Saint Pierre**, Dion was joined by her mother **Jacynthe Côté**. Côté was CEO and president of Rio Tinto Alcan but left her post to take care of her daughter.

Row upon row of mellow yellow

chrysanthemums lined the outdoor window boxes, a nice cheery balance to the downpour outside.

Waiting to be served as guests arrived, bouquets of bubbly by Lanson stood lined up in large ice-filled silver buckets.

The excellent night was orchestrated by **Nathalie Boudreau**, director development, communications and marketing for the foundation; and **Marie-Hélène Hivon**, whose black tuxedo-style blazer was also by Marie Saint Pierre.

Westmounters enjoying the video presentation included journalist **Richard Burnett**, his suit accessorized with a gorgeous emerald green Italian scarf; “Diamond Lil,” his mother **Lilian Burnett**, elegant in black with gold accessories; **Mark** and **Louise Leibner**, chic in a minimalist black dress; and **Michel** and **Louise Blouin**, totally on trend in a black-and-white coat over a black cocktail suit.

Also noted in the packed room were **Nicolas Bertrand**, **Puelo Deir** and **Velma Boal**, communications director for the foundation.

The eve raised \$100,000 for the foundation’s Felix Program, which offers support to young cancer patients and their families.



Louise, left, and Mark Leibner.



Laurie Dion, left, and Jacynthe Côté.



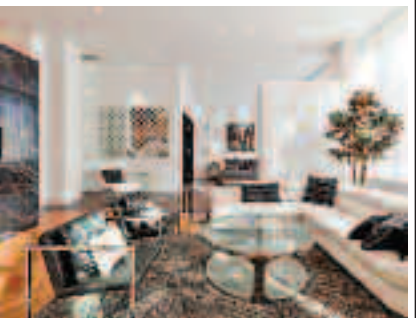
From left: Richard Burnett, Puelo Deir and Liliane Burnett.



Velma Boal, left, and Nathalie Boudreau.



Louise, left, and Michel Blouin.



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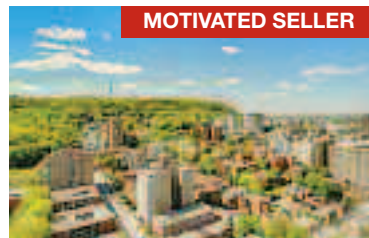
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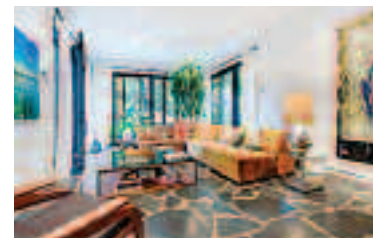
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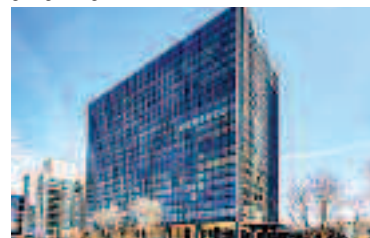
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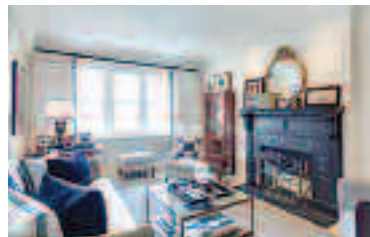
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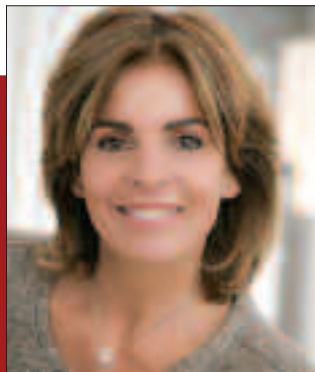
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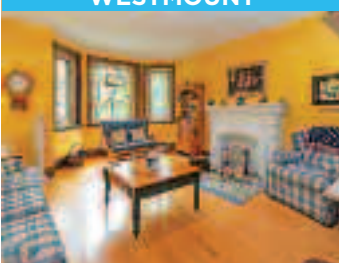







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