

Election 2013



Mayor Peter Trent is running, see p. 9



Julia Carbone Gold will be running against Cllr. Patrick Martin, see p. 11

Work unfinished as condo permit expires Oct. 3

City requires Redfern project to post \$1M

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Facing expiry October 3 of its building permit, the condo construction project at 215 Redfern has been required to deposit a monetary guarantee of some \$1 million to receive a second and final one, city officials said last week.

The guarantee would be retained by the city if the work is not completed within 18 months after the second permit is issued, confirmed Urban Planning director Joanne Poirier last week. The new permit does not require approval by council.

The city had met with the developers the previous week, Poirier said. "They told us they had run into structural problems which were now resolved and that the building would be fully enclosed by October 10 and ready in six months. I hope."

"They should have advised the city earlier," she said, adding that communication had been "weak."

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Rosen sculpture celebrates 'Eternal Youth' at Y



Staff and friends of the Westmount YMCA gathered outside on September 26 to witness the unveiling of Westmount resident Harry Rosen's latest sculpture, "Eternal Youth," which he donated to the Y in honour of its recent centennial. The sculpture is said to symbolize strength, character and boundless dreams. From left, Rosen's son Eric, his daughter Joy, his grandson Max, Rosen and his wife Delores.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

See our Election Summary on p. 9 & interviews of councillors Cynthia Lulham (p.11), Victor Drury (p.10), & Nicole Forbes (p.10).

City gives building owners, tenants till Oct. 15

Vic village medical offices asked to protect rights

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Owners of commercial buildings housing doctors' offices or medical clinics in the Victoria village are being advised by the city to submit copies of related occupancy permits before October 15 to help these occupants preserve their vested rights.

The move comes as the city prepares to present new zoning legislation October 1 to establish a limit on the number of these medical offices in the southwest sector of

the city. This is a measure to help reduce the potential impact on the area from the new MUHC super-hospital.

Pending the adoption process, a freeze on new medical occupancies came into force last month when city council gave notice of motion of the new by-law (see September 10, p. 9).

A date for public consultation is not expected until November, after the election of a new council, according to Urban Planning director Joanne Poirier.

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In other election news: MP Garneau will run in new NDG-Westmount riding, see p. 31

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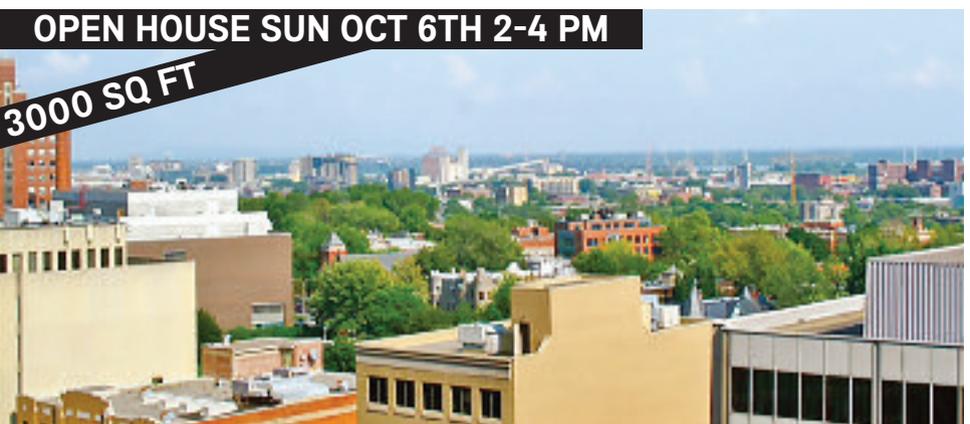
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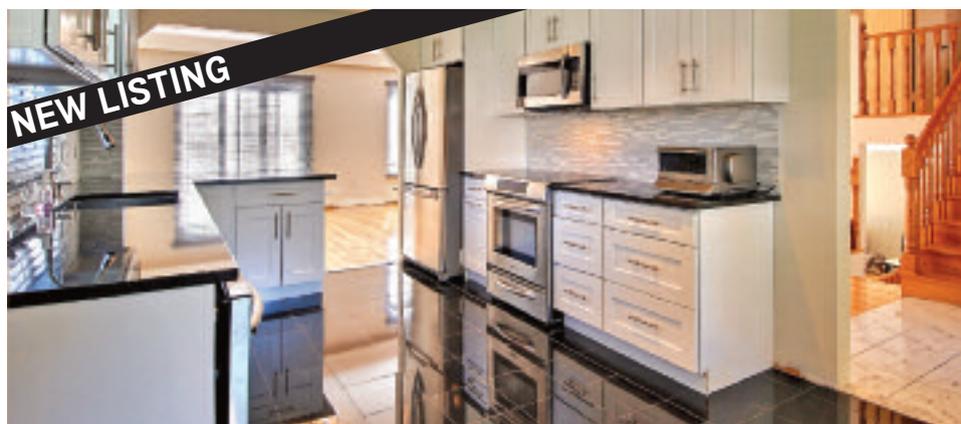
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Provigo:

No plans in sight for vacant lot

BY ISAAC OLSON

Despite the appearance of heavy machinery on the property in recent weeks, there are, according to its owner, still no plans for the vacant lot located on the southwesternmost edge of Westmount where St. Catherine St. and Claremont Ave. intersect de Maisonneuve Blvd.

Because the property is owned by the supermarket chain Provigo, which is a member of Loblaw Group, there has been speculation in the community that a supermarket is planned for the site, but at this point, the grocery giant claims there are no construction plans.

"We can confirm that we still own the land and that we are currently testing the soil to validate its condition, but no construction is planned at this time," wrote

Geneviève Poirier when the *Independent* asked for more information about the lot's future.

"We will be happy to provide more details when it becomes available."

Borough spokesperson Isabelle Lord said the borough is aware of the soil testing on the property, which includes addresses 5010 and 5012 de Maisonneuve Blvd. However, she said, there are no construction permits issued for the site, which is not zoned for supermarkets.

The zoning of this particular lot includes housing, specialized schools, offices, medical clinics and personal care. Developers can request a zoning change to meet the needs of a proposed project, but that would need the approval from the borough council.

A win for Westmount

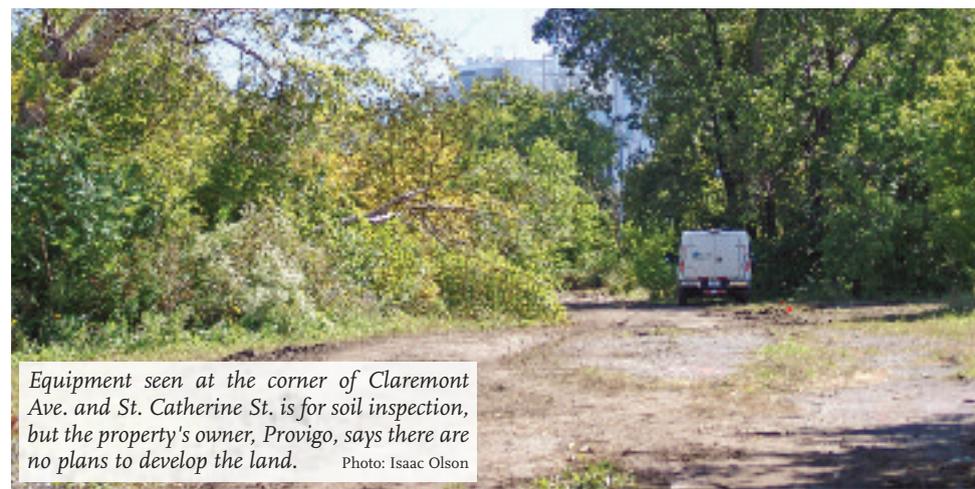
Forden house wins award, goes on to Coup de Cœur

David Pearl and Barbara Dolman of 49 Forden were presented September 22 with a Heritage Emeritus award by Montreal mayor Laurent Blanchard for having maintained their property with great care. Their house was one of 22 so honoured and one of five that now enters the Coup de Cœur contest. Individuals can vote for their choice at www.operationpatrimoine.com. The winner will be announced on November 21. This presentation was part of the official launch of the 23rd Montréal Architectural Heritage Campaign, which runs until October 6.



David Pearl and Barbara Dolman

Photo courtesy of Doreen Lindsay.



Equipment seen at the corner of Claremont Ave. and St. Catherine St. is for soil inspection, but the property's owner, Provigo, says there are no plans to develop the land.

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Visual Arts Centre assesses corporate training program



Helga Schlee, left, a teacher at the Visual Arts Centre on Victoria Ave., critiques an art work created by Céline Comtois, one of sixteen participants who took part in a free workshop given at the centre on September 19. The workshop was held so that the arts centre could obtain feedback on a new corporate training program it wants to introduce.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

Pomerleau payments tally \$30.4M gross

The city is reported to have written cheques totaling \$2,819,435 during September to contractor Pomerleau Inc. for the Westmount recreation centre. Councillor Patrick Martin is expected to announce the update at today's council meeting, October 1.

This brings the total amount of cheques paid to Pomerleau to date to \$30,440,720,

including taxes. To date, however, the city has been credited with GST rebates of \$1,323,797 for a net amount of \$29,116,923.

The city holds back 10 percent of each invoice pending satisfactory completion of the project. In September there were no new approved extras or credits.

Soccer viewing for soccer players



Westmount's U-14 Boys Inter-city soccer team got together for September 21's Montreal Impact soccer game against the Vancouver Whitecaps. The U-14 Boys, coached by Mila Felcarek, recently completed their third full-summer season.

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signs are being created and I particularly liked the Geneva clock."

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"Both the floral clock and the town crest outside city hall are particularly fine at the moment. Their design and careful maintenance this year should not go unnoticed," said Westmount resident Richard Aylett.



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Eddy Nolan leads Roslyn School kids' 2013 Terry Fox Run



On September 26, for the twelfth year, Roslyn School caretaker Eddy Nolan led students on a fundraising run to collect money for the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research. Nolan, who is himself a cancer survivor, has managed to raise \$228,000 for the cause with the help of Roslyn School students. He anticipates that more than \$12,000 will be raised from this year's run at Roslyn once all the pledges have been counted.

Photo: Martin C. Barry



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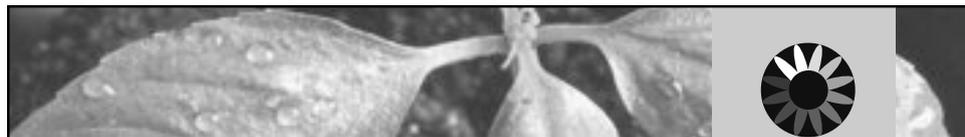
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TOO BAD, WRC = HOCKEY

Took the tour on Sunday. Fine as it is for hockey, but disappointing for other activities – didn't realize it was almost all about hockey.

"In summer, one indoor rink can be used for badminton, volleyball, basketball, etc" – the latter two are mainly outdoor sports and all three would benefit from indoor facilities in the winter.

The lack of understanding by Mayor Trent and his council regarding the needs of Westmount, notably for an indoor pool, has now really come home.

Is it too late [for inclusion in the design parameters of the option of covering the pool at a later stage]?

I hope the next council will be more open to community consultation – and in do something about upgrading Westmount Park, in the first instance to give us back water in the lower lagoon, a significant downside this past summer.

CHRIS LYLE, DE MAISONNEUVE

Acting editor's note: It is our understanding that the new pool is not designed to be converted into an indoor pool. – DP

FAVORITISM IN WESTMOUNT?

I find it interesting that, almost every week, the *Independent* publishes what fines were given to the construction company on Redfern, but there is never any mention of

fines, if any, given to Pomerleau.

It has been reported to Public Security that Pomerleau has begun work sometimes before 7 am on Saturday mornings. During the week, the trucks start rolling in before 6 am with the back-up beeping. Their workers park in the Reserved for Permit Holders zones and I have yet to see them get a ticket. Several times the gates to the work site have been left open after everyone has gone. They have been allowed to work longer hours on weekends, even on a Sunday.

So, out of curiosity, how many times, if any, has Pomerleau received a fine for making noise, or other infractions, outside the legal times?

BELINDA BOWES, ACADEMY RD.

Acting editor's note: According to David Sedgwick, director of Public Security, four tickets have been issued to Pomerleau over the life of the project. – DP

WHERE'S MARKS' CREDIT?

The new Westmount recreation centre and arena, after much publicity, was opened to the public on September 22.

I visited the site and was thrilled with the total structure with its planning and LEED gold standard.

Much credit and kudos have been evident; but, somehow one name seems to have been absent from all of this euphoria. It was under the leadership of our for-

mer mayor, Karin Marks, that this project was conceived.

Messrs. Molson and Desmarais enacted the private fundraising of a total of \$6 million: each of them has a rink therein named for them.*

Karin Marks initiated the receiving of \$20 million of federal and provincial grant monies to kick start the new construction. I think that this project may never have started without the grant: so far I have not been aware of any credit given to her recently and no part of the new building honouring her name.

Am I missing something?

STAN GROSSMAN, DE MAISONNEUVE

**Acting editor's note:* It is our understanding that the rinks are named for the Molson and Desmarais families, which – along with many other people and entities – contributed towards the private-money fundraising campaign, whose target is \$6 million. Also, former mayor Karin Marks was thanked at the ceremonial opening of the centre (see September 24, p. 7).

GREAT REC CENTRE, GREAT CITY, GREAT MAYOR

Touring the beautiful new Westmount recreation centre yesterday among many smiling friends and neighbours gave me pause to reflect on what has made Westmount a special community for us.

More than elsewhere, municipal councils in Quebec face many challenges and are sometimes not equal to them.

Westmount is marked by a lot of civic engagement – in both word and deed. But the everyday municipal affairs get resolved while bigger challenges have been met, and under a continuing tone of civility and tolerance. Who sets that tone?

We have had not only effective local leadership in Westmount. We have had outstanding government. Provincial ideologies and referenda have come and gone, a disastrous municipal merger has been forced on us, but happily reversed.

When I survey the still-new Westmount Library, the lovingly restored Victoria Hall, the busy bicycle paths and Bixi racks, the attractive Greene and Victoria villages, and now the gleaming recreation centre – I am compelled to say that Peter Trent's time in office has been the best mayorship Westmount has ever had.

May it be an inspiration for the future.
HUGH CAMERON, ROSLYN AVE.

NO MUSIC AT BANK? NO BENEFIT TO PRACTISING JEWS

Je peux assurer m Le Clère que la décision de ne pas mettre la musique à la

banque le Yom Kippour (Sept. 24, p. 6) n'était pas à la demande d'un juif pratiquant. Le travail, la commerce, et la porte de l'argent sont tous les activités interdites lors de ce fête. Les juifs qui se retrouvaient à la banque, et non pas à la synagogue, étaient donc par définition non pratiquants, et la musique serait donc bienvenue tout comme n'importe quel autre journée.

SARA SABER-FREEDMAN, EVP, CENTRE FOR ISRAEL AND JEWISH AFFAIRS

SHOW SOME RESPECT, DON'T SWEAT THE SILENCE

Voici ce que j'en pense, Monsieur Le Clère (Sept. 24, p. 6).

Vos remarques déplacées témoignent d'une mesquinerie qui ne vous fait pas honneur. Si les juifs, sans parler des musulmans et autres non-chrétiens, peuvent se farcir la « musique » de Noël qui déferle dans tous nos lieux publics dès le 1er novembre, il me semble que vous devriez pouvoir supporter l'absence de musique d'ascenseur dans une succursale bancaire un seul jour de l'année.

Ce dont vous vous plaignez constitue à peine un accommodement. Il s'agit plutôt d'une simple marque de respect, concept avec lequel je vous invite à vous familiariser.

JOAN MCCORDICK, ABBOTT AVE.

SEPARATE RELIGION AND EVERYTHING ELSE

Re: The letter "Qu'en pensez vous?" from René Le Clère (Sept. 24, p. 6) –

Am I reading this letter correctly? No music in the Royal Bank because of Yom Kippur! If this is true, it is absurd.

What do I think? Religion should be kept to oneself and practised within the boundaries of one's home or respective religious establishment.

Religion should be kept entirely separate from government and all business – especially financial institutions!

GÆL FRASER-TYTLER, THE BOULEVARD

APPALLING TASTE, INDIE

I support Mr. Pless's view stated in his letter to the editor September 24 edition. I too, was dismayed at your insensible attempts to just "report the news, not mock anybody or their activities." I found it appalling. One can only imagine the shared mirth in the *Independent* offices when you decided to headline the tragic lives of the homeless living on the streets of Westmount as "Environmental Entrepreneurs" (September 10, p. 31).

BRONWEN MANTEL, BRUCE AVE.

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Cites achievements, future goals

'Work not complete,' Trent runs again for mayor

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Mayor Peter Trent will indeed be running for another mayoral term. He is expected to announce officially at the city council meeting October 1. This will mark his fifth mayoral election.

Election 2013: Who's running?

Mayor	Peter Trent*
Ward 1	Patrick Martin*, Julia Carbone Gold
2	Peter Starr
3	Victor Drury*
4	Kathleen Duncan*, Rosalind Davis
5	Christina Smith, John Fretz
6	Nicole Forbes*
7	Cynthia Lulham*
8	Theodora Samiotis*

* Incumbent

Not running: Councillors Tim Price and Gary Ikeman.

Former candidate Philip Cutler, who placed second to Tim Price last election, is "contemplating running," the *Independent* has learned.

"My work is not complete," he told the *Independent* last week.

He said he still wants to work on the streamlining of city hall after the mergers as well as "ballooning pension funds deficits," crumbling infrastructure and issues at the agglomeration and regional levels that ultimately affect the lion's share of Westmounters' taxes and quality of life.

While the last four years have been dominated "politically and administratively" by the Westmount recreation centre (WRC), he said, "I don't think we expected it to take up so much time, but I believe the results show the effort put into it."

Trent foresees the next four years "as a period of consolidation, with no significant public building projects," but focussing on maintaining or upgrading the city's infrastructure and built heritage that had been "crowded out" by the WRC.

He counts his book *The Merger Delusion* as a personal achievement that is important for preserving Westmount's independence and hopefully for reducing agglomeration expenses through downsizing and other changes in regional structures.

Main achievement

The new rec centre, driven by Trent,

was the main achievement of this council, he said. The creation and adoption of the traffic master plan was another, along with creation of the public square on Greene as part of the deal he brokered to keep Les 5 Saisons at the site.

He also points out how capital works "pay-as-you-go" financing through the city's yearly operating budgets has climbed back up to the same level before this practice was wiped out by the merger with Montreal.

In delaying his announcement to seek another mayoral term until after the ceremonial opening of the rec centre and the public tours, Trent said he wanted these events to take place without electoral overtones, even though the facility was still a work in progress with many pending adjustments.

Fifth mayoral election

Trent served as a councillor with Mayors Brian Gallery and a half term with Mayor May Cutler along with the three four-year terms as mayor in 1991, 1995 and 2009. His mandate in 1999 was halved by the forced mergers, after which he refused on principle to represent Westmount, reduced to borough status, on Montreal's city council.

His stand against the mergers earned him an award for integrity in June from the Civic Action League, an anti-corruption group. He also was the lone politician to take a stand against Gilles Vaillancourt's presence on the board of the Union of Quebec Municipalities while he was being accused of electoral wrongdoing in November 2010. The Laval mayor was arrested more than two years later by the UPAC anti-collusion team.

In the lack of what Trent calls the city's "corporate memory," he believes his understanding of previous council decisions provides valuable insight today when the same local issues resurrect themselves such as dogs, parking, traffic and taxes.

With 60 percent of Westmount taxes going to the aggro and regional council, he said, he feels it important for him to take on leadership roles outside the city on its behalf, which he hopes to continue for the next four years.

Trent is president of the Association of Suburban Municipalities, vice-chair of the Montreal/agglo Finance and Administration committee, and a member of the boards of the Union of Quebec Municipalities and the Montreal Metropolitan Community.

Time for 'unity, good will': Ludmer won't oppose Trent

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

David Ludmer, a harsh critic of the Westmount recreation centre who had asked the courts to stop its construction, will not oppose Mayor Peter Trent in the coming election as he had vowed.

"This was a battle dear to my heart. I tried my best," he told the *Independent* September 26. "I think I may now defer to others to pick up the torch and exit with a smile."

His involvement in the failed court injunction and in questioning the financing and process of the arena/pool project had made him a polarizing figure, he explained, "at a time when Westmount requires unity and good will."

In a press statement, he wrote: "I will not present myself as a candidate in the coming election and will leave it to others to heal old wounds, to embrace transparency and accountability and to separate

school from state."

Asked if he had visited the new facility yet, Ludmer said he had stayed away "to avoid putting a dark cloud on the situation," but added, "Maybe in time."

Negotiated settlement?

While his suit against the city in conjunction with Westmount Park Church "is still there," he acknowledged, "there's always room for a negotiated settlement and finding a reasonable solution" to the church's need for access to the de Maison-neuve door.

He said he hoped the city would find the best possible solution to the church's access now that the rec centre is built "and salvage the situation." Representatives of the church and of the Contactivity seniors' centre based there were invited to, and attended, the ceremonial opening September 22.

Inebriated Westmounter issued 3 tickets

A 17-year-old Westmount resident was issued three \$119 tickets September 21 for being drunk and aggressive in Westmount Park, Public Security officials said.

The teen was found rolling around on the ground at 1 am near the tot lot while two friends tried in vain to calm and help him.

When the youth became aggressive and appeared ready to pick a fight, public

safety officers called police.

In the end, because the teen's friends stated his behaviour was unusual, it was decided to fine him under municipal by-laws rather than press charges, officials explained.

Tickets were issued for disturbing the peace while being drunk in a public place, for acts of violence and being in the park after the midnight curfew.



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Major issues: Traffic, parking, employee pensions

Drury 'keen' to represent District 3 for another 4 years

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

After years of political organizing at the federal level, Victor Drury says his first term on city council has been such a positive experience he has decided to stand for re-election in District 3.

"We accomplished a lot in my first term, and we still have a lot to do," he said. "I'm very keen to be there as a member of the team."

In District 3, the resolution of recurring flooding in the area of Barat and de Casson was a major achievement, he said. This took place when the city diverted drainage from the Atwater sewer to the one at Wood Ave. which had excess capacity. "I'm proud of that," Drury said.

The traffic master plan adopted by council also lays out the framework to address issues of speeding and the volume of cars that use residential streets through this district. "I think Montrose, with its morning traffic caused by the schools, is one of the first streets we should look at."

High on his list as commissioner of Administration is the city's human resource policies, dominated by the burgeoning

problem of employee pensions with which he has been involved

"The pension challenge is immense," he explains. "One reason is that we can't deal with it as a municipality alone. We're in negotiations now on new labour agreements and we hope we can make some proposals to move in the direction we should be moving in, but we don't want to put Westmount at a competitive employment disadvantage."

Defined-benefit pension plans are suffering from being underfunded due to low interest rates, a decreasing number of contributing employees, early retirements and the longevity of pensioners.

Parking

Parking is another major issue for the new council to deal with, he says, though it doesn't impact his district as much as many. One example, on its borders, is the parking challenge on Jewish high holidays around Temple Emanu-El Beth Shalom on Sherbrooke. The streets surrounding it are



metered, he points, out. This results in issues not encountered around Shaar Hashomayim where the unmetered streets are easier for providing parking tolerance to time restrictions.

A fundraiser by profession, Drury has a full-time job "except when I'm at city council meetings," he explains with a laugh. He's director of the Shriners' \$130-million campaign for the building of their hospital at the MUHC's Glen site and the endowment of a research chair.

Drury is anxious to run again in District 3 where he says he relates with the issues and neighbourhood. He and his wife, Barbara, who have three grown children, live on Kensington in District 6. This is the ward represented for the last eight years by Nicole Forbes.

Drury and Forbes worked on the realignment of some of the electoral boundaries for the November 3 election where redistribution was required, though no changes were made to District 3. This ward stretches irregularly up from the

north side of Sherbrooke to just south of the south side of Cedar and generally in the west from Metcalfe/Church Hill/Aberdeen to Westmount's east city limits.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed my first term and working with Mayor Peter Trent," Drury said. "He does us all proud."

Born in Ottawa, Drury grew up in Westmount inheriting his love of politics from his father, the late C. M. "Bud" Drury, MP for Westmount who served as a senior Liberal cabinet minister from 1962 to 1978 in the governments of prime ministers Lester Pearson and Pierre Trudeau. Victor is also the nephew of the late Westmount mayor Chipman Drury.

A graduate in economics and political science from McGill, he holds an MBA from Tuck School at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire.

Drury has served on numerous boards. He is currently a director of the Westmount Ville-Marie Liberal riding association, of which he is a past president. He is also a vice president of the Quebec wing of the party and chairs a national committee for YMCA Canada.

Focuses city efforts on volunteers, community events

Forbes aspires to third term representing District 6

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Councillor Nicole Forbes said last week she was looking forward to running again for city council as its representative in District 6.

She says she has the "time and passion" to continue working with the city's strong volunteer base and to promote events in the community.

"Ours is a special community that has been built by volunteers and it is important that we leverage their talents and those of our youth," she explained.

Forbes, who is commissioner of Cultural and Community Services, has been chairing the community section of the fundraising campaign for the Westmount recreation centre. "I'm very proud to have been involved in council's accomplishments. I've also learned a lot about municipal politics."

It's now time, she said, "to take a very hard look at our road infrastructures, parking problems and cycling facilities and to work with our community groups that have expertise in these matters." Resources and time will be more available for

these concerns now that the long refurbishing of Greene is complete, she explained. The block north of de Maisonneuve lies in her district.

Another aim, Forbes said, is to encourage greater recycling in apartment buildings. "It's something we have to revisit. Several of these are located in her district: 250 Clarke, 4300 de Maisonneuve, 1 Wood and the new 215 Redfern, still under construction. The big outside recycling bins are difficult to access for many residents, especially those with mobility problems, she said.

Civil weddings

One of the roles Forbes has found especially fulfilling is officiating at civil weddings at city hall. She has performed 18.

Among city committees she sits on are the Library Committee, the Community Events Advisory Committee (CEAC), the Healthy City Project, the CLD es 3 Monts and the Vin d'honneur.

Raised in Westmount, Forbes studied



art history and architecture in Italy after working as a hostess at Expo '67. She holds a master's degree in linguistics. While raising her children, she founded the Enfants des Neiges preschool and later worked as development officer for the Orchestre Métropolitain.

She chaired the provincial Liberals' fundraising campaign in 1987 and became actively involved in municipal politics

while managing the city's demerger referendum office.

She has been a member of the boards of the Centaur Theatre and the Visual Arts Centre and is the founder of Art Westmount. She and Councillor Victor Drury worked on the realignment of electoral borders for the upcoming election, which changed some of the borders in her own District 6.

This ward now generally stretches from Westmount Park east to Atwater and from the north side of de Maisonneuve to the south side of Sherbrooke, with a dip south to include 1 Wood.

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Hopes to move ahead with city's renewal

Lulham looks for another busy mandate in District 7

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

For Councillor Cynthia Lulham, this latest term on city council has been a busy and productive one as commissioner of Parks and Urban Planning and the representative of District 7, she says. And she's ready to go for another four years to see through a number of initiatives already in the works.

Not only has she launched or steered into law a number of new projects or by-laws, including ones to reduce construction hours, prevent the building of so-called monster houses, lessen the impact of flooding and renew Greene Ave, but she has also intervened on behalf of constituents in numerous complaints, especially about annoying work sites.

"Because of the issues at the Redfern site, I went over there at least once a week," she says. "And I've always done my best to respond to any issue or concern. I just had a street light installed on

Blenheim Place because residents were concerned about safety. And I make a point of listening to people when they stop me on the street. I see that as an important part of my job."

And she lists off many priorities for what she sees as another productive term starting with on-street parking for residents, the creation of a vegetated fence along the railway tracks, "green" lanes and implementation of a report on renewing Summit Woods.

There's also the continued revamping of the city's urban plans to preserve Victoria village, "knit together" the fragmented residential and commercial districts of the southeast, and then review the central sector around St. Catherine, including the policies for vacant lots.

In District 7, she says, the "blue" parking zones for residents around work sites have proven so successful, that she's pro-



posing to make them permanent to protect residential parking after the opening of the Westmount recreation centre.

With announcing her intention to run again for election, Lulham is now facing her sixth term on council for a total of 18 years starting in 1995. It's an unbroken period of service in which she has been part of the decision-making process before, during and after the merger with Montreal.

"I'm aware of what we tried that didn't work and why, and I have a history of how something was created," she explains. "So when I look back to see what councils have achieved, I feel so rewarded."

In various commissionerships, she explains, she created the Community Events department, eased restrictions at the pool, and "took back" Victoria Hall as a community centre after it had evolved into being mainly a wedding venue.

"For me, one of the major issues now is finding a way to reduce the impact of infill projects [i.e. those filling the gap between two existing buildings]. We need to be proactive in a way that doesn't stop people from building, but requires them to do so without the enormous amount of effort the city has been spending to enforce our by-laws. It's an enormous waste of administrative time."

Lulham admits it's a heavy agenda, but she has been so involved with so many projects that she says she is motivated to see them through.

By profession, Lulham is project manager for the Proximity Initiative, a joint venture of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Railway Association of Canada. Guidelines she developed for building in proximity to train tracks were recently adopted by the city of Montreal and the Association of Suburban Municipalities. She is now promoting them across the country.

Julia Carbone Gold opposes Martin in District 1

Seeks council seat on platform of youth engagement

BY LAUREEN SWEENEY

Business lawyer Julia Carbone Gold this week threw her hat into the ring, challenging incumbent councillor Patrick Martin for the District 1 seat.

While Carbone Gold may be a newcomer to the electoral scene, she's certainly not new to Westmount, where she was raised, schooled and has become active on the community scene.

Her motivation, she said, is to take a "youth engagement" strategy to a new level – even into policy setting or onto council. This is a plan to provide youth with learning opportunities that she has been developing through the Healthy City Project supported by the Westmount Municipal Association (WMA).

"The idea," she told the *Independent*, "is to put together a committee of youth – teenagers – to see where they identify and how they would like to make input into the community at the policy level." She suggests perhaps a mentorship program with policy makers, a youth council or non-voting representatives on city council.

Carbone Gold said in a press release that her candidacy will give District 1 residents an opportunity to elect a councillor for the first time in 12 years, though she later clarified this to refer to the incum-

bent's two-term election by acclamation eight years ago.

Her challenge now brings to three the number of recent WMA board members who have presented themselves for election. They include Peter Starr in District 2 and John Fretz in District 5. Rosalind Davis in District 4 left the board last year.

A resident of Grosvenor near Sunny-side, Carbone Gold is the mother of twins aged two and a half, who says, "Westmount is a wonderful place to live," but adds that "with so much potential, things could be better."

She says: "We need to finally take action on the neglect of District 1's specific needs. We need to increase safety in and around the Summit Woods; we need to address the condition of our roads and sidewalks, and create a straight-forward permit process that respects community values."

Changes in district

District 1, she explains, has undergone "tremendous modification over the last decade with an increasing number of families with young children and serious issues of road and sidewalk work too long ignored." She believes she has the skills,



ideas and energy to actively "pursue and manage the projects that matter most to District 1."

"We must think innovatively to address the challenge of funding and managing Westmount's ailing infrastructure. We need to work with all levels of government, seeking grants, examining public-private partnerships and looking at how other cities are coping with similar issues."

Carbone Gold works as the in-house counsel with the Greene Ave. software firm Futurion Inc. that licences software to pharmaceutical companies. She also sits on the board of Innovation Partnership, a volunteer organization working in various countries.

It was a year ago that she became active in municipal affairs, joining the board of the WMA at the suggestion of Mayor Peter Trent, she said. In that capacity, she was a

member of the task force on the master traffic plan and contributed to the Eco-Squad's creation of environmental policies that could be integrated into city by-laws.

She also joined both the Community Life and the Environment committees of the Healthy City Project.

Married to McGill law professor Richard Gold, she was educated at Roslyn, The Study, Marianopolis and McGill. She earned her master's degree in law at Duke University, NC, through which she is currently working on a PhD thesis in intellectual property and innovation management.

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Parking inspector hit in leg while ticketing car

When a city parking inspector went over to check out two cars at 9:15 am September 20 in a no-parking zone on Grosvenor just north of Sherbrooke, one of the drivers began yelling at him, Public Security officials said. The man's mother who was with him at the time reportedly joined the inspector in asking him to calm down, but to no avail.

As the inspector began writing out the

ticket, the vehicle backed into his leg. A Public Security sergeant called 911. Police arrived and charges were to be laid. Few details were available, according to the Public Security report, since the squad car came from Station 11 in NDG.

The inspector was not reported injured, "but we have a zero tolerance for abuse of our personnel," said assistant Public Security director Greg McBain.

Redfern, cont'd. from p. 1

Five months ago, developer Jason Berger told the *Independent* the project was "on schedule" for September completion with 85 percent sold (see April 23, p. 8). At that time, however, much of the building had not been enclosed.

The *Independent* was unable to reach Berger for an update.

The project is already beset by numerous complaints from neighbours and fines for violation of city by-laws (see September 24, p. 5).

"How that site is being monitored is not acceptable," Councillor Cynthia Lulham told the *Independent*. "It's not the job of residents or council to monitor a con-

struction site that's selling million-dollar condos."

Coincidentally, the legislation establishing a monetary guarantee to prevent so-called "everlasting" worksites was adopted January 16, 2012, the very day that city council approved the demolition and building permits for the Redfern project.

At the time, however, the timing was pure chance, though the conditions pertaining to a second permit had been written into the first one, Poirier said.

The new permit "renewable" regulation had been precipitated by the on-going construction of 20 Summit Circle, the large house immediately east of the Summit lookout, and one at 310 Côte St. Antoine (see January 24, 2012, p. 4).

'Missing' child found at right place

A 5-year-old Westmount girl knew exactly what to do September 19 when she became separated from her sister and their nanny in Westmount Park, Public Security officials said.

When officers were called to the library by a worker for a found child at 11:24 am, they discovered the nanny and sister already on scene after locating the girl at the library – an emergency meeting place they had established if ever they became separated.

The incident demonstrates the value of

such a pre-arranged plan, assistant director Greg McBain said.

Roslyn wins grant

Roslyn School has been awarded a \$20,000 grant from Future Shop's Future Generation Tech Lab Program.

Julie Marcus, Roslyn's technology teacher, spearheaded the application.

She focuses on teaching through animation using Flip Boom All-Star.

Medical offices, cont'd. from p. 1

The amendment is subject to a zoning referendum register similar to the one held recently relating to the operation of Miss Vicky's pre-school at St. Matthias' Church.

The letter from Poirier dated September 23 asks that building owners or their tenants having medical offices submit a scan or other copy of the occupancy certificate to Urban Planning "to ensure recognition of the rights to operate such occupancies."

Poirier told the *Independent* the city wants to ensure its inventory of medical

occupancies is "on the same page" with those existing.

The proposed zoning change is part of a city review of zoning in the area "to preserve the exceptional urban character of the Victoria village," the letter states.

It follows concerns expressed by citizens and merchants over preserving the balance between residential and commercial sectors. These were heard at two public consultation meetings on the southwest area held in October 2012 and last April.

An increase in medical offices would also be expected to generate additional traffic and parking on local streets.



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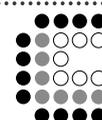
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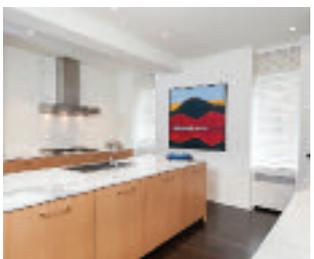
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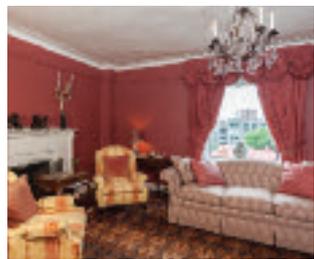
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Memorabilia depicting the achievements of four exceptional citizens of the past were viewed September 25 by some 150 guests attending the city's 13th Vin d'honneur event.

The ceremony at Victoria Hall bestowed civic honours on illustrator Elizabeth Cleaver, poet/painter Hector Saint-Denys Garneau, entrepreneur and civic leader William Murray and architect Percy Nobbs (see September 24, p. 4).

Paintings, writings, photos, diaries and awards were among items displayed focusing on the contributions each honoree had made to the local and wider communities. After their life achievements were described, the posthumous honours were presented by Mayor Peter Trent to descendants of each who attended.

Emceed by Westmount lawyer and Olympian Richard Pound, the event heard how the civic honours had been launched by the late Mayor May Cutler in 1990 as a way to provide continuity of life and inspiration to younger generations. There are now 58 men and women so honoured.



Cellist Elliott Seah, 7, and his brother violinist Benjamin, 9, serenaded guests at the Vin d'honneur for close to an hour. Both are members of the Westmount Youth Orchestra.

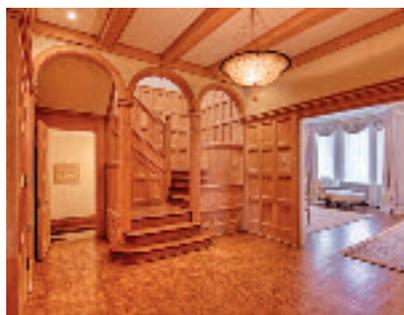
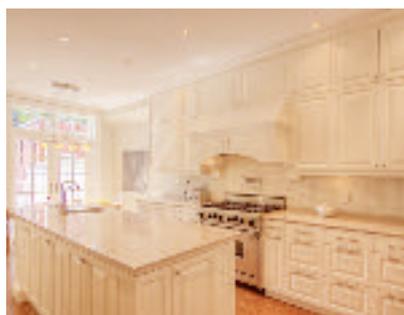


Frank Stark, right, a grandson many times removed of William Murray (1798-1874), remembers playing at the old Murray house (in what is now Murray Park), which gave its name of "West Mount" to the city. With him at the Vin d'honneur are members of younger Murray generations, from left: Alexander Dobroruka, Murray Stark, Philip Church and Westmount resident Elizabeth Stark.

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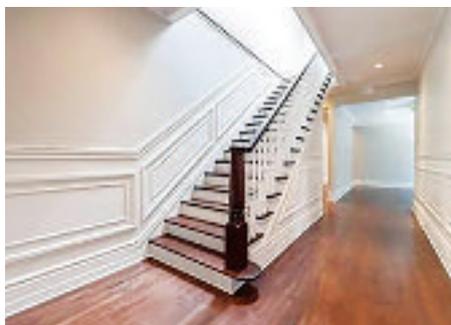
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Mood of the Market

ANDY DODGE, CRA

The following article relates to the registration of deeds of sale for Westmount property in August 2013, provided by city officials. A list of sales can be found on p. 23.)

The volume of real estate sales stayed strong in August, reflecting the market reports in these pages in April, May and June, as buyers consummated the sales that had been arranged in those months.

Eighteen Westmount sales went through the registry office in August, 15 of them over \$1 million, but only two over \$2 million, with the highest price of \$3,500,000 for 3289 Cedar Ave., a large house that was completely rebuilt in 2008 with all the modern amenities including geothermal heating. The other was \$2,200,000 for 539 Grosvenor Ave., a house which had been transformed from a duplex after its purchase in 1998.

High mark-ups

The average mark-up for the 18 sales (compared to the 2011 valuation) was 25 percent, actually higher than for any of the previous three months, but lower than the figures for January, February or April. The Grosvenor sale was the highest mark-up of the month, with the price registering 75 percent above its 2011 municipal tax value. On the low side was 620 Murray Hill,

which sold for only 6 percent higher, but there were no mark-downs as there had been in the previous two months.

All this means that prices have not really dropped significantly since the September 2012 Parti Québécois minority government was elected, though now we are beginning to see a serious drop in volume. So far this year, 107 house sales have been registered, slightly above the 102 through August of 2009 but otherwise the lowest volume in this century.

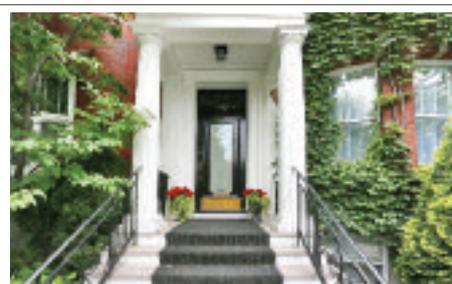
The lowest price in August, \$845,000, involved 433 Prince Albert Ave., a small townhouse just north of Sherbrooke St. which needed refinishing. Also the small townhouse at 2 Prospect St., totally renovated, brought \$887,000.

After two deeds were signed in June and four more in July, the sell-up of 1250 Greene Ave. continued apace, with five more deeds signed in August. It appears the building management was trying to avoid chaos by arranging occupancies a week apart, going into September. Once those moves are completed, more than half the building will be sold off.

Condos

Other condominium sales include two at 4855 de Maisonneuve Blvd., corner Victoria Ave., and one more at the Pom Bakery building, 4700 St. Catherine St. corner Lansdowne Ave. Also transferred was a duplex-type condominium at 10 St. George's Place, which brought \$768,000. Also sold were the rights to 3453 St. Antoine St., part of a triplex which has not yet been condominiumized, just west of Greene Ave. near the Hydro Quebec substation.

The market has declined marginally since last July, the target date for the new valuation roll, but it is significant that exactly half of the houses in the August list have 2014 valuations lower than their sale prices.



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Chef Michael Smith makes a stop in Westmount



Canadian celebrity chef Michael Smith (left), known among foodies for his show on Food Network Canada as well as for a successful line of cookbooks, was welcomed by a crowd of fans on September 18 at the Appetite for Books shop on Victoria Ave. where he talked about his latest book, Back to Basics: 100 Simple Classic Recipes with a Twist. Smith, who hails from PEI, advocates unpretentious cooking, although he disdains processed foods.

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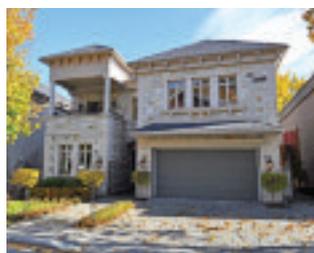
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Anthony Hobbs and Mimmo Paladino The texture of art



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Currently, landscapes by Westmount painter Anthony Hobbs are exhibited at The Gallery at Victoria Hall, while at Han Art Gallery, work by Mimmo Paladino features the human figure. Although very different, both artists rely on texture to create compelling imagery.

Anthony Hobbs at The Gallery at Victoria Hall

This retrospective spans over fifty years of Hobbs' creative output – from sketches from his student days at London's St. Martin's School of Art, to watercolours, oils and more recently iPad drawings. In these works, his exploration of textured line and form within the genre of landscape is consistent.



"Maison jaune, Collioure" by Anthony Hobbs

One recent sketchbook contains an ink drawing of a yellow house enlivened by colour washes. In this work, overlapping lines create depth and three-dimensionality. This small sketch forms the basis of the larger watercolour *Maison jeune, Collioure* (2013).

Hobbs again plays with texture in his iPad sketches. The rippling effect of wind on a field in *After the Harvest* (2013) is built up through strokes of purple, gold and yellow. In the church scene *Notre-Dame-des-Anges, Collioure* (2013), white flecks on blue simulate light on water while purple clouds dominate a yellow horizon.

In the 2011 series of oil paintings *Where the land meets the sky*, texture combines with colour to create drama. In the large canvas *La Tempête* (2010), menacing storm clouds painted in thick brushstrokes contribute to its apprehensive mood. In *Blue Haze #2* (2010), indigo mountains against yellow fields create a memorable image. This mixed-media retrospective runs until October 5 at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St.

Mimmo Paladino at Han Art Gallery

Italian artist Mimmo Paladino's exhibition of relief prints, *Grafie Della Vita*, features eye-catching graphics. Many are from the 2004 series *California Suite* produced with Los Angeles-based art printer Mixografia. Others evoke interest through glued objects as well as by the use of traditional engraving techniques.

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sional shapes are built up within the composition by successive print passes. In *California Suite No. 3* three “2”s dominate – one within a painted profile, the second painted red and the third in relief and painted blue – conveying the social dy-

namic of being “number two.” In the more monochromatic *No. 4*, drawn numbers and letters on a face suggest a “thinking man,” while in *No. 7* “decision-making” is communicated.

In the *Untitled* (2009), carved wooden birds perched on a man in a suit evokes the idea of a corporate “scarecrow.” An earlier work *Tra Gli Ulivi* (1984) combines etching with aquatint. Here the subject of a woman within another woman – framed by figures, branches and leaves – references tribal or cult imagery.

As one of the “Transavantgar-duia” (1979-1985), Paladino popularized the human figure within contemporary Italian art. The exhibit of this unique artist continues until October 20 at 4209 St. Catherine St.

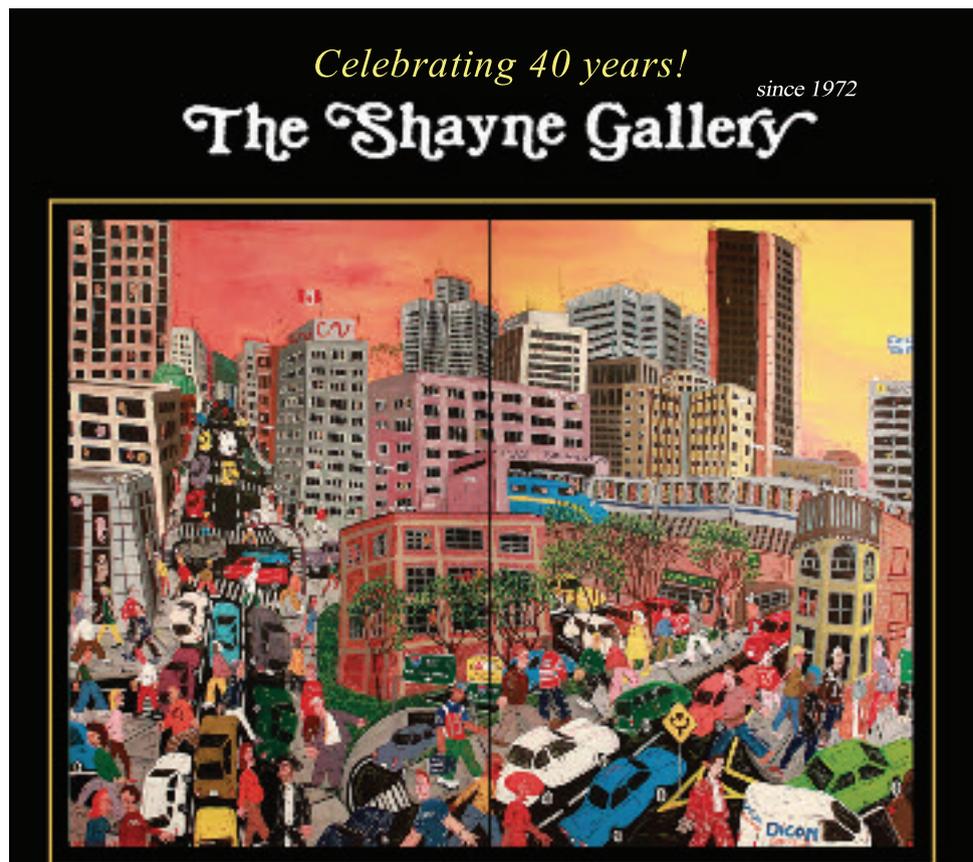
The triumph of texture

Hobbs’ overlapping lines create depth while his use of distinct brushstrokes create a musical rhythm within his compositions.

Similarly, the three-dimensional forms in Paladino’s prints create a tactile quality which draws the eye to individual elements within his work.



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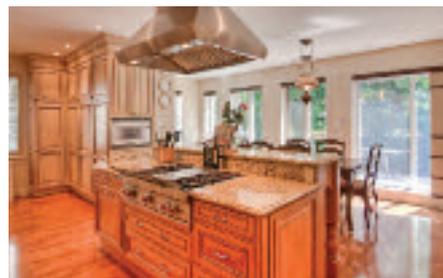
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Meet the candidates

Wednesday, October 16 at 7 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Meet and question the candidates that will be running in the municipal elections. Organized by the Westmount Municipal Association and the Westmount Independent. Voting day is Sunday, November 3.

WHA Fall Lecture Series: Four Westmount Heritage Sites

Thursday, October 17 at 7 p.m., Westmount Library. Speakers: Doreen Lindsay, Caroline Breslaw and R. Allen-Rigby. Presented by the Westmount Historical Association. Info: 514 932-6688.

LIBRARY

Author Event: Nancy Richler

Wednesday, October 9 at 7 p.m. Come meet Nancy Richler, author of *The Imposter Bride*. Info: 514 989-5299.

English Book Club

Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m. Join us for a discussion about *The Stone Angel* by Margaret Laurence. Info: 514 989-5299.

2 O'Clock Series: *Opera 101 - Falstaff*

Wednesday, October 16 at 2 p.m. Based on *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, one of Shakespeare's most under-appreciated plays, Giuseppe Verdi's *Falstaff* was the final opera of his illustrious career. Join Shakespeare lecturer and musician George Wall for a presentation designed to facilitate appreciation of both the opera and the play upon which it was based. Info: 514 989-5299.

Next Council Meeting:

Tuesday, November 11

Guess the Giller Breakfast

Saturday, October 19 at 10 a.m. Join Shelley Pomerance and Library staff as they discuss the five Canadian novels on the Giller shortlist, Canada's most prestigious literary prize. RSVP: 514 989-5299.



Readers to Readers Book Club

Tuesday, October 22 at 10:15 a.m. Join our morning book club just to talk about great books recently read. No reading lists or deadlines. Info: 514 989-5299.

Celebrating Westmount Authors

Wednesday, October 23 at 7 p.m. at Victoria Hall. To celebrate Public Library Week, the Westmount Public Library is proud to present this special soirée recognizing the richness and diversity of our local authors. Info: 514 989-5386.

PUBLIC WORKS

Free Compost for Residents

Saturday, October 5 from 9 a.m., Public Works yard, Bethune Street. Compost made from leaves collected last autumn will be made available to residents while supplies last. Bring a container, a shovel and proof of residence. Info: 514 989-5390.



Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday, October 12, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Library Parking Lot. Safely dispose of paints, solvents, batteries, pesticides and more. Bring your used clothing and used electronics the same day. Info: 514 989-5390.

Autumn Leaf Collection

Throughout October and November. Place your bagged leaves and garden waste behind the sidewalk by 7 a.m. on weekdays for collection by City crews. Please note that only paper yard waste bags will be accepted. Info: 514 989-5390.

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Station 12 Reports

Three break-ins: wine, wallet, iPad

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

BY ISAAC OLSON

There were three break-ins reported in the span of two days with only a single item stolen in each case, according to Station 12 constable Adalbert Pimentel.

The first incident took place on September 21 around 7:30 pm on Metcalfe Ave. near Ingleside. The plaintiff was in a bedroom when he heard somebody walking around on a lower floor, said Pimentel. Thinking it was a family member, he went downstairs and discovered an exterior door was ajar and a wallet was missing from the kitchen table. A young man was spotted

running in the alleyway, said Pimentel.

The suspect went in through the unlocked back door, grabbed the wallet and left, said Pimentel, indicating the suspect likely spotted the wallet from the outside before deciding to take advantage of the unlocked door.

iPad gone

Also on September 21 between 7 pm and 11:30 pm on Kensington Ave., an iPad was stolen from an apartment. The couple came home to discover it was nowhere in their home - certainly not where they left it on a coffee table. The superintendent of the building was interviewed, said Pimentel, and he discovered certain sets of his keys were missing.

Sometime between July 23 at noon and September 22 at 8 pm in the same Kensington Ave. building, seven bottles of wine were reportedly stolen from a residence, said Pimentel, who noted the plaintiff was on vacation. The wine is worth approximately \$2,000, said Pimentel. Investigators are still looking into the matter but, even if the alleged thief had keys, it is still a break-in because the suspect entered the

apartments unlawfully.

While recent news reports indicated a construction worker was injured in Westmount, the incident actually took place in Montreal.

On Lavigne Rd., just east of the Westmount border, a 34-year-old Montreal resident was working on a construction site when the retaining wall gave out and the victim was crushed by debris. According to news reports, the man was crushed under dirt, but the police report, said Pimentel, was not specific as to the material. The incident happened just after 10 am on September 23 and fellow workers called 911 immediately.

The fire department was called to the scene and the victim was extracted from the debris. Urgences Santé transported him to Montreal General. The accident will be investigated by the Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail (CSST) because, said Pimentel, it is not a criminal case. News reports, like that found on the CBC website, indicate the man was in critical condition, but Pimentel could not confirm the man's current condition as of press time.

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AVIS PUBLIC DE LA RÉVISION DE LA LISTE ÉLECTORALE MUNICIPALE

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné aux électeurs de la Ville de Westmount :

- 1° que la liste électorale municipale a été déposée au bureau de la Présidente d'élection le 30 septembre 2013;
- 2° qu'elle fera maintenant l'objet d'une révision;
- 3° que les conditions requises pour être électeur et avoir le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste électorale de la Ville sont les suivantes :

- ➔ être un personne physique;
- ➔ être majeur le 3 novembre 2013;
- ➔ être de citoyenneté canadienne le 1^{er} septembre 2013;
- ➔ ne pas être en curatelle le 1^{er} septembre 2013;
- ➔ ne pas avoir été déclaré coupable, en date du 1^{er} septembre 2013, d'une infraction constituant une manœuvre électorale frauduleuse au cours des cinq dernières années;

ET ÊTRE, LE 1^{er} SEPTEMBRE 2013 :

- ➔ soit **domicilié** sur le territoire de la Ville de Westmount et au Québec depuis au moins six mois;
- ➔ soit **propriétaire unique d'un immeuble** situé sur le territoire de la Ville depuis au moins 12 mois, à la condition de ne pas avoir déjà le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste électorale à titre de personne domiciliée et d'avoir transmis à la soussignée une demande d'inscription écrite et signée pour être inscrit à la liste électorale;
- ➔ soit **occupant unique d'un établissement d'entreprise** situé sur le territoire de la Ville depuis au moins 12 mois, à la condition de ne pas avoir déjà le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste électorale à titre de personne domiciliée ou de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble et d'avoir transmis à la soussignée une demande d'inscription écrite et signée pour être inscrit à la liste électorale;
- ➔ Note : Le propriétaire unique de plusieurs immeubles ou l'occupant unique de plusieurs établissements d'entreprise sur le territoire de la Ville doit s'inscrire à l'adresse de l'immeuble ou de l'établissement d'entreprise ayant la plus grande valeur foncière ou locative.
- ➔ soit **copropriétaire indivis d'un immeuble** situé sur le territoire de la Ville depuis au moins 12 mois, à la condition de ne pas avoir déjà le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste électorale à titre de personne domiciliée, de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble ou d'occupant unique d'un établissement d'entreprise et d'avoir été désigné au moyen d'une procuration signée par la majorité des copropriétaires qui sont des électeurs en date du 1^{er} septembre 2013 qui doit être transmise à la soussignée;
- ➔ soit **cooccupant d'un établissement d'entreprise** situé sur le territoire de la Ville depuis au moins 12 mois, à la condition de ne pas avoir déjà le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste électorale à titre de personne domiciliée, de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble ou d'occupant unique d'un établissement d'entreprise et d'avoir été désigné au moyen d'une procuration signée par la majorité des cooccupants qui sont des électeurs en date du 1^{er} septembre 2013 qui doit être transmise à la soussignée;

- 4° que, dans le cas d'une demande d'inscription concernant une personne domiciliée sur le territoire de la ville, le demandeur doit indiquer l'adresse précédente du domicile de la personne dont l'inscription est demandée et doit présenter deux (2) documents dont l'un mentionne le nom et la date de naissance et l'autre, le nom et l'adresse du domicile de la personne dont l'inscription est demandée;

- 5° que la liste électorale peut être consultée et les demandes d'inscription (électeurs domiciliés uniquement), de radiation ou de correction doivent être présentées devant la commission de révision à l'hôtel de ville de Westmount situé au 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest aux dates et heures suivantes :

- ➔ **mercredi 16 octobre 2013 de 10 h à 22 h; et**
- ➔ **jeudi 17 octobre 2013 de 10 h à 19 h 30.**

DONNÉ à Westmount, le 1^{er} octobre 2013.

Viviana ITURRIAGA ESPINOZA
Présidente d'élection

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE REVISION OF THE MUNICIPAL LIST OF ELECTORS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of the City of Westmount:

1. That the municipal list of electors was deposited at the office of the Returning Officer on September 30, 2013;
2. That it will now be revised;
3. That the requirements to be an elector and to be entitled to be entered on the list of electors of the City are as follows:

- ➔ to be a natural person;
- ➔ to be of full age on November 3, 2013;
- ➔ to be a Canadian citizen on September 1, 2013;
- ➔ not to be under curatorship on September 1, 2013;
- ➔ on September 1, 2013, not having been convicted, in the last five years, of an offence that is a corrupt electoral practice;

AND, ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2013:

- ➔ either **domiciled** in the territory of the City of Westmount and for at least six months, in the province of Quebec;
- ➔ either the **sole owner of an immovable** situated in the territory of the City for at least 12 months, provided he or she is not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors in his or her capacity as a domiciled person, and that a written and signed application for entry on the list of electors be submitted to the undersigned;
- ➔ either the **sole occupant of a business establishment** situated in the territory of the City for at least 6 months, provided he or she is not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors in his or her capacity as a domiciled person or as the sole owner of an immovable, and that a written and signed application for entry on the list of electors be submitted to the undersigned;
- ➔ Note : The sole owner of several immovables or the sole occupant of several business establishments must register at the address of the immovable or the business establishment having the greatest property or rental value.
- ➔ either an **undivided co-owner of an immovable** situated in the territory of the City for at least 6 months, provided he or she is not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors in his or her capacity as a domiciled person, as the sole owner of an immovable, or as the sole occupant of a business establishment, and that he or she is designated by means of a power of attorney signed by the majority of co-owners who are electors of the City on September 1, 2012, and that the power of attorney be sent to the undersigned;
- ➔ either a **co-occupant of a business establishment** in the territory of the City for at least 12 months, provided he or she is not already entitled to be entered on the list of electors in his or her capacity as a domiciled person, as the sole owner of an immovable, as the sole occupant of a business establishment, or as an undivided co-owner of an immovable, and that he or she is designated by means of a power of attorney signed by the majority of the co-occupants who are electors of the City on September 1, 2013, and that the power of attorney be sent to the undersigned;

4. That, in the case of an application for entry concerning a person domiciled in the territory of the City, the applicant must indicate the former address of the domicile of the person whose entry is requested and must present two (2) documents, one of which indicates the name and date of birth, and the other the name and address of the domicile of the person whose entry is requested;

5. That the list of electors may be consulted and the applications for entry (domiciled electors only), striking off, and correction must be submitted to the board of revisors at **Westmount City Hall** located at 4333 Sherbrooke St. West on the following dates:

- ➔ **Wednesday, October 16, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and**
- ➔ **Thursday, October 17, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

ISSUED in Westmount, on October 1, 2013.

Viviana ITURRIAGA ESPINOZA
Returning Officer

Comin' Up

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Final meeting of current city council, city hall, 8 pm.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Removal of invasive species from Summit Woods under the direction of Public Works. Session lasts two hours. For details on what to wear and bring, please call John Fretz at 514.933.6331, or email supermolto@sympatico.ca. Assembly at 8:45 am at the Summit Lookout. Also on October 9.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

The Phantom Of The Opera (1925) starring Lon Chaney Sr. \$8 students and seniors. A masterpiece of silent horror cinema in a Gothic church with live music. Westmount Park Church (4695 de Maisonneuve). 7:30 pm. Also October 5.

Deadline to submit candidacies for 2013 municipal election. 4:30 pm at the Office of the Returning Officer, city hall.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

McGill Council of Palliative Care's Men and Grief workshop with Dr. David Kuhl at the Temple Emmanu-El-Beth (4100 Sherbrooke, at Elm). 6 to 8 pm.

ONGOING:

Tumbling Tots. Centre Greene. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 am to 11 am. In-

door/park playground for parents and children under 5 years. \$3.50/morning drop-in. Coffee and cookies provided.

University Women's Club of Montreal
 A Success Story, Liliane Colpron & Josée Fiset of the Premier Moisson will share the success story and core values of the Premier Moisson bakery. 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, October 16. Atwater Club. 3505 Atwater Ave. Supper \$30.76 (members) \$50 (glass wine included-non-members) Reservations needed. Newcomers welcome.
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Westmount's changing Victoria village

BY STEPHANIE O'HANLEY

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program in Podiatric Medicine at the University of Quebec in Trois-Rivières. Constant said he discovered Westmount when he did an internship in Montreal and spent time running in Westmount. "I found the neighbourhood was very lovely."

Marché Park, 380 Victoria Ave.

An offshoot of the Park Restaurant and located right next door, Marché Park opened its doors Sept. 9. The fine grocer sells the gluten-free yam noodles and bimbimbap you see on the restaurant's menu, sandwiches, pork and cheese papusas and beef teriyaki kim chi empanadas prepared in the restaurant's kitchen. There are organic meats, fresh juices and imported items from Italy and Japan.

Salon Doo (Doo Salon), 346 Victoria Ave.

In early September the hair and esthetics salon relocated from 4857 Sherbrooke St. to a new home on Victoria Ave.

CHANGES

Art Rebel, 318A Victoria Ave.

After 15 years in business, Wayne Hemsworth has sold his custom framing business. "Westmount's been good to me," said Hemsworth. "I am retiring. I'm buying myself a nice big sailboat and I am cruising." The new owner takes over on Oct. 1, Hemsworth said.

Le Mac Urbain, 386 Victoria Ave.

Though one sign says it's under renovation and another says the space is for rent, Apple specialist chain Le Mac Urbain



is cryptic about the future of its 386 Victoria Ave. storefront. It may be under renovation, or closed for good. "I've been told to say nothing at this time," said a man who answered the phone at head office.

CLOSINGS

Woven Gardens Gallery, 4875A Sherbrooke St. W.

After 40 years in business, Peter and Kornelia Brown are retiring and closing their popular imported antiques shop. Items on sale include decorative items, furniture and jewelry.

Chou Chou shoe store is moving from its 4886 Sherbrooke St. location to Woven Gardens' space.

Galerie Crafteria, 342A Victoria

Galerie Crafteria, 342A Victoria Ave. The gallery and arts and crafts workshop studio started by young entrepreneur and artist Randee Crudo will close its doors at the end of September. Many colourful art works are for sale.

Outlook

As for the health of Victoria Village, "it

seems to be fine," said Gail Fellerath, co-owner of Folklore, 4879 Sherbrooke St. and one of the organizers of the Westmount Street Festival.

"We had a very good summer, a little better than we expected because July and August can be quite slow," Fellerath said. "But we did very well, we're very pleased and we'll see what fall brings."

Hit-and-run discovered after pleas for help

The driver of a disabled car on Victoria south of The Boulevard asked a Public Security patrol to call CAA for him at 10:23 pm September 22, officials said.

Officers noticed the wheel and hubcap had been damaged as if the car had been in an accident, which the driver denied. They subsequently found debris on the street north of Sunnyside where a parked car appeared to have been hit in the rear. Police were called and the incident, described as a hit-and-run, was left in their hands at 11:08 pm.

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History by the house

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The house at the end of tiny Lorraine Ave. may have been Westmount's first venture into the notion of multiple-house development on a single lot, and a look at the old Westmount cadastral map shows that there was immense bickering and fighting over the way lots could be developed.

No. 8 Lorraine, one of two houses at the end of the street (a concept now prohibited by building line rules) sits on an L-shaped piece of land formerly known as Lots 28-A-4 and 28-B-5, resubdivisions of resubdivisions of subdivisions of the original Joseph Hurtubise and Jackson Rae farms, purchased by Richard Warminton and Campbell Bryson in 1873 and then subdivided mainly into 50-foot lots with proposed streets like Claremont and Victoria avenues, Windsor, Chesterfield and Somerville avenues and connections to Sherbrooke St. and Western Ave. (now de Maisonneuve) which were stretching west.

In 1877 Warminton and Bryson separated their holdings and Warminton took control of the area above the planned Sherbrooke St. between Claremont and Victoria avenues, with some financial help, it appears, from Edward Kirk Greene and George Augustus Greene, part of another famous landholding family in the fledgling town of Côte St. Antoine.

Banque du Peuple moves in

Financial problems continued to plague Warminton, however, and eventually (1883) he was forced to relinquish his land to La Banque du Peuple. Some time between then and 1888, new plans for subdivisions were developed and the original



8 Lorraine: The birth of cul-de-sacs

lot subdivisions developed letters, such as 208-28, -28A, -28B and -28C. Then in October 1888, the bank sold the land to Thomas E. Bulmer, bookbinder and stationer. He broke it into smaller pieces and sold off the section between what are known today as Sherbrooke and Chesterfield, Claremont and Prince Albert, to Mathilda B. Brown, a spinster with real estate interests, who paid \$9,055.20 for 68,100 square feet of land.

Apparently she could not make a go of the conceived project and sold the land in two parts, one of which tackled only the southeast corner of Claremont and Chesterfield, the other which involved the southern and eastern parts of the block. James Bailey, described on the deed as a "clerk," paid 20¢ per square foot for both sections on November 3, 1893.

A year later, Allan Arthur Phillips paid 30¢ per square foot for about a third of that total land, basically two 10,000-plus square foot lots reaching back from Claremont. We cannot be certain it was he who conceived of the new-street concept, but by 1898 the land went into the hands of Charles Dépocas, a builder, and eight days later was transferred to Charles William Meyer, a notary for the city of Montreal (who apparently was involved in real estate in his spare time).

Nothing happened to the land for a decade until finally, in 1909, the two lots were sold to Samuel Berling, a real estate agent, who apparently conceived the idea of turning one of the lots into a street and building on the second one. Lovell's Directory lists the street without addresses in the 1909 edition, then has 9 and 11 Lorraine included in the 1910 edition. More addresses appear over time, until finally, in February 1913, Herbert E. Baines purchases 8 Lorraine Ave., at the end of the street on the lower side, by which time the house had been built and rented out to J. Noel Decarie, whose name first appears in Lovell's as the occupant in 1912. Baines did not move in until 1915, according to Lovell's.

Papineau in residence for almost 30 years

Having paid \$6,250 to purchase the property in 1913, Baines sold it in 1921 for a discreet "\$1 and other considerations" to Mercedes Papineau, widow of Guillaume Couture, an artist and musician, who stayed there for 29 years before her death in 1950. It was inherited by Gui L. Caron who sold to Victor Wellish, an employee of Canadian Pacific Railway, on January 4, 1951, for \$10,000. It is clear that the house needed refurbishing, and Wellish spent



8 Lorraine.

three months carrying out the repairs before turning it over to Catherine and Ethel Austin, "unmarried women of the age of majority," according to the deed, who paid Wellish \$18,000 with the promise to complete some painting and other repairs at his own expense.

The two women lived in the house for 11 years; Catherine died and finally Ethel sold the house to Gerald John Cleary, a newsprint control manager, in November 1962, for \$23,500. Between then and January 1971, the value grew very modestly to \$27,000, but then jumped to \$34,500 in only two years as it was picked up by Malcolm Donald Fowler. He brought the house into the 1980s and a completely new range of prices. The house sold four times in that decade, first for \$145,000 in 1981, down to \$100,000 in 1982 (as interest rates were zooming to 22 percent), back up to \$197,000 by 1986 and \$250,000 in 1987.

Leslie Russell, a retiree, lived in the house through the slumping 1990s and finally unloaded it for \$209,000 in September 1996. Timothy Leyne and Christel de Coussergues, with relatively little renovation, tripled their investment over the next decade, selling to Adrian Dunn and Amanda Jelowicki. Finally, Sandoval Gonzalez and Mélanie Beaudry purchased for \$799,000 in September two years ago.

In the city's new (2014) valuation roll the confusion over the division and resubdivision of the various lots – even with

provincial recadastrating a decade ago – is still apparent. There are (supposedly) two tiny vacant lots on Lorraine, each with a valuation of \$1, for whom the owner is Samuel Berling, who purchased the property in 1909. His postal address is given as 544 Roslyn Ave.

HISTORY OF 8 LORRAINE AVENUE (since construction)

Date	Buyer	Price
25 Feb 1913	Herbert E. Baines, clerk	\$6,250
23 Jul 1921	Mercedes Papineau	\$1
4 Jan 1951	Victor Wellish	\$10,000
28 Apr 1951	Catherine M. Austin and Ethel M. Austin	\$18,000
19 Nov 1962	Gerald John Cleary	\$23,500
26 Jan 1971	Mohammed Saied Sarafzadeh	\$27,000
22 May 1973	Malcolm Donald Fowler	\$34,500
1 Oct 1981	Audrey Patricia Hutchins	\$145,000
6 Jan 1983	Ewan MacKay & Helene Kirkman	\$100,000 (\$1)
10 Dec 1986	Lottie Dubrofsky	\$197,000
16 Mar 1987	Leslie Russell	\$250,000
6 Sep 1996	Timothy Leyne & Christel de Coussergues	\$209,000
15 Nov 2007	Adrian Dunn & Amanda Jelowicki	\$640,000
9 Sep 2011	Sandoval Gonzalez & Mélanie Beaudry	\$799,000

Archer takes aim

Is the web the future of retail?

BY STEPHANIE O'HANLEY

Westmounters Dylan Adair and Mia Burgos are trying an experiment.

Their online boutique, Archer Hard Goods, lacks the physical presence of a traditional store. But Adair and Burgos have a showroom in St. Henri where you can make an appointment to see products for yourself before ordering them online. They've had clients from Toronto who are in Montreal for business stop by to pick up their online orders.

"As a young couple we have to do it backwards, start with the web," Adair explained, since the trend today is for people to shop online. "I had people tell me they hadn't gone shopping in person for gifts in years," said Adair, who is 39. "I think the convenience of shopping online is undeniable for a lot of people."

"There's an ethical component to what we do, but this is a test kitchen," said Burgos, who is 38. "In many ways we're all about modern heirlooms."

The name "Archer" came about partly because Adair's horoscope sign is Sagittarius but also because it's bilingual and speaks to the start-up's mission "to iden-

tify and target a visited collection of great things," he said.

"When we started buying things for our kids, we wanted good things that don't break down," Adair said. Archer's "baseline theme" is to sell products that are "better for you, better for your family, lasting in the long term," Adair added.

Bicycles hang on the showroom's walls on support racks made out of recycled plastic. The pockets of a "living wall" teem with plants. There's a Hudson's Bay blanket in sky blue and cream stripe made for Quebec City's 400th anniversary in 2008. On display too are children's toys, wooden clothespins, cutting boards, towels and soaps, kitchen and toilet brushes and even their own specially designed women's self-defence kit.

Tested first

"Everything we sell is something we have used or tried," Adair said. He pointed to some drinking glasses made by Duralex, a company that's been around for 100 years. "Our kids use them. They're chip and shatter resistant."

Most items are made in North America or western Europe. As well, Adair and Bur-



Mia Burgos and Dylan Adair

gos co-designed a collection of bags and leather works with a local designer.

"We're trying to engage the customer," Adair said. "Being web-based, this is a huge challenge." Their website went live six months ago, Adair said. The company has amassed 645 followers on Instagram. Burgos writes website copy and said she's constantly working to improve keywords and the site's Google search engine ranking.

Nearly a year ago, the couple set up in a bright loft office space in St. Henri, choosing that site for a number of reasons, including budget, rent, the need to invest in their website and the amount of space, Adair said. The location needed to be a showroom, an office, house the photographic equipment they use to feature products and suit their family life, he said.

"We're active parents," Adair said, adding that their daughters, ages 5 and 8, come by at the end of the day and do homework while their parents work.

They looked in Westmount but didn't find anything that met their needs, Adair said, adding that one prospective landlord wanted a personal guarantee of \$30,000 against the business failing. "We're young business owners, personally financed," Burgos said. "Retail's tough."

The couple lives in Victoria village, their daughters attend St. George's and they call themselves Westmounters.

"We used to walk by the train station and have fantasies about what we could do with it," Adair said. "If we ever do a bricks and mortar store, it will be in Westmount," he said.

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A new parliament, Canada's 42nd, will convene on October 16 to hear the governor general deliver the speech from the throne.

This follows prorogation by the prime minister, resulting in a month's delay before the resumption of parliament. There will be much to do.

Over the past five years, I have had the privilege of being the Liberal house leader as well as the critic for Industry, Science and Technology and Natural Resources.

In August, Justin Trudeau asked me to take on new responsibilities as Liberal critic for Foreign Affairs, International Trade and La Francophonie. More recently, he also asked me to co-chair, with a very distinguished Canadian, retired general Andrew Leslie, an International Affairs Council of Advisors. I am gratified by the leader's confidence in me as I take on these important new responsibilities.

As I begin my sixth year as your mem-

ber of parliament, allow me to discuss two important upcoming changes. The first deals with changes made to riding boundaries for the next election and what this means for Westmount-Ville Marie.

Essentially our riding has been divided in two, with the western portion becoming part of a new riding called "NDG-Westmount" and the eastern portion becoming part of a new riding called "Ville Marie."

The second change has to do with the fact that each riding will be subject to a nomination race between Liberal candidates in order to choose the winning candidate who will represent the party in the next election.

Need to choose

I must therefore choose in which new riding to run. I have made that decision and while I will proudly serve *all* of Westmount-Ville Marie right up until the next election, I intend to seek the nomination in NDG-Westmount. I have decided to seek the nomination in this new riding because it will contain the largest proportion of residents from the existing riding of Westmount-Ville Marie and because this is where my wife Pamela and our two boys, Adrien and George, and I live.

By the time of the next election, we will

have made it our home for almost 15 years. The new riding of NDG-Westmount is essentially composed of all of NDG, Montreal West and Westmount.

With that, let me wish you all an enjoyable fall, including Thanksgiving, hockey, the Grey Cup, autumn colours and other rituals of the season.

Teens caught throwing knives in park

A public safety officer patrolling Westmount Park September 17 at 4:21 pm noticed two youths in a wooded area throwing knives at a park bench, Public Security officials report. On spotting the officer, they immediately put the knives back into holders. Numerous small cuts were found on the bench.

Under questioning, one of the boys initially provided false identification but after verification, both were described as 16-year-old residents of Outremont and St. Bruno. They were to be sent \$37 tickets for damaging park property and \$69 tickets for having possession of a knife in a public place.

Roofers obstruct bike path

Roofers working at the Westmount Estates apartment building on de Maisonneuve at Roslyn were warned twice recently about obstructing the bike path, Public Security officials said. When their two vehicles, including a boom truck, were found on the sidewalk and bike path September 20 at 9:15 am, they were advised of regulations and orange cones were set out to create safe passage. But on September 23, they were warned again at 3:30 pm about respecting the conditions of their permit to create safe passage.

Address checks

In an address check of back lanes September 18, Public Security bike patrollers found the civic numbers missing from seven stores in lanes east and west of Greene Ave. between Sherbrooke and de Maisonneuve,

Public Security officials said. The annual program to check as many lanes as possible aims to provide firefighters and other emergency responders with quick and accurate access to the backs of buildings.

Sleeping woman awakened by strangers in bedroom

A woman was awakened September 22 to find officers in her bedroom on Roslyn at 1 am, according to Public Security reports. When the front door had been found open and no one answered the doorbell, public safety officers call police. The woman apparently had not heard officers ring the doorbell. It was believed that a family member had left the home without firmly closing the door.

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Soirée Fantastique a fantastic evening



*Social Notes
from Westmount
and Beyond*

VERONICA REDGRAVE

Hope & Cope's annual Soirée Fantastique was held on August 20 at Westmount's Shaar Hashamayim. Under the chairmanship of Westmounter **Michael Flinker** (there with his wife **Dr. Marcia Gilman**), the evening was totally sold out.

Early cocktails were followed by a gourmet dinner graciously sponsored by Westmounters **Aldo Bensadoun** and **Joel King**, there with his wife **Marlene**. Westmounter **Hy Polansky** sponsored the wines.

The fabulous florals stemmed from sponsors Westmount's Flore and Westmount Florist as well as Anat Design, Main Florist and L'Atelier Fleurs. The evening's entertainment included a moving video in which cancer patients shared



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Cookie and Jodi Lazarus.

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Twelve-year old musical prodigy **Daniel Clarke-Bouchard** amazed the audience with his piano-playing prowess, and singer **Jodi Lazarus** brought the room to its feet with her rendition of "Hero." Former

Westmounter, **Gino Quilico** sang classics such as "Arrivaderci Roma" and "Hallelujah," accompanied by the Voices of Hope & Cope Choir, featuring cancer survivors who rehearse weekly at Lou's House, Hope & Cope's wellness centre. Dancer **Pierre Hardy** (who teaches at Lou's House) partnered with **Linda Sirkos** in a lively choreographed performance.

Cancer survivors **Susan Wener** (there with husband **Jonathan**) and **Jason Freder** spoke about the profound impact that Hope & Cope's support has had on patients and their caregivers. Hope & Cope chair **Lillian Vineberg** thanked all "heroes."

Cocktail-chic Westmounters seen in the crowded room included **Eddie and Heelena Wiltzer**, fundraising chair; **Lou and Sylvia Vogel**, patrons chair; **Elaine and Rick Dubrovsky**, Jewish General Hospital (JGH) president; **Sarah and Allen Rubin**, JGH Foundation president; **Barbara Bronfman, Jojo and Brahm Gelfand, Julia and Stephen Reitman, Tina Baer and Stan Leibner, Dana and William Bell, Jeremy Reitman and Penny Rudnikoff, Therese Brownstein, Nancy Bloomfield, Linda Smith, and David and Nancy Wiseman**, Hope & Cope president, as well as former Westmounters **Emmelle and Alvin Segal**, and **Hanka and Sonny Gordon**, who came in from Toronto.



Jonathan and Susan Wener.

Also noted were **Cookie Lazarus, Carolyn and Rick Renaud, Diane Guerrero**, and Hope & Cope director **Suzanne O'Brien**, in a lovely turquoise jacket and floral necklace. Although some ladies opted for on-trend floral and patterned dresses, many wore LBD and impressive pearls.

Sheila Kussner, Hope & Cope founder and former chair, was her always elegant self in a beautiful white satin blouse with crystal accents. The event was part of a year-long campaign, which has raised \$900,000 so far.



Eddy and Heelena Wiltzer.



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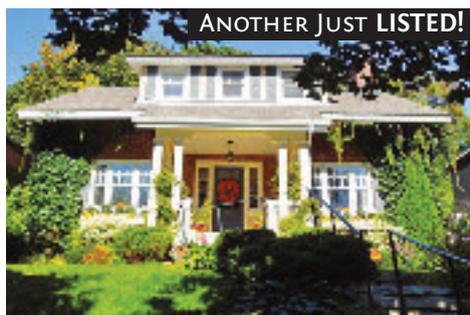


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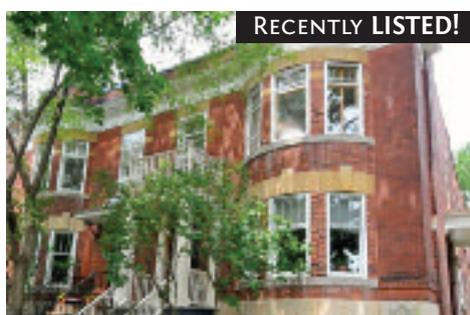
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