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Annual Report 2014

Our Mission Statement

We aim to be a vital, dynamic, caring congregation.

We are called to love God, serve humanity, and support each other.

We strive to live and grow in the knowledge and example of Jesus Christ.

The Mount Royal United Church Annual Congregational Meeting is called for:

Sunday, April 26, 2015

after the regular 10:30 AM worship service

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Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Message from the Minister, The Rev. David Clinker – 2014

"Re-framing Ministry"

One project that exemplified our congregation's work in 2014 was the reframing of the two windows from Rosedale-Queen Mary United Church that now grace the Mount Royal United Church sanctuary. The reframing project had many stages, but led to a wonderful new result.

After the initial decision to relocate the windows, the crack committee spearheaded by Heather Copeland began its work. Artisans from Studio Verre removed the windows – actually hundreds of tiny pieces of stained glass held together by fragile leading – from their locations at the Rosedale-Queen Mary site. After much consultation, designs for new frames were settled upon and fabricated by a team of skilled carpenters. Each frame had to not only look beautiful, but be able to structurally hold the weight of the glass and the lighting fixtures. And the frames needed a proper place: Easily visible, yet not in competition with the existing windows. Placement in front of the two most used entrances in the transepts ensured the right place. Then the glass itself had to be cleaned, set in their new frames with the latest in LED lighting placed behind it, to ensure that the images of Christ knocking on the door could be seen. The final product of both windows is remarkable. The north window shows well in its new home. And the north transept design by Vincent Poggi has been restored to its original proportions. Both windows now shine brightly in their new locations.

I use this image because, in many ways Mount Royal United Church has begun reframing its ministry during 2014. Like most congregations, we have been in transition for a long time. We have seen changes in the community demographics around us, and changes in membership due to aging, moving and, yes, unfortunately death. With these realities we have seen changes in leadership – although Mount Royal United Church's leaders have continued stalwart in their service. Particularly in 2014, we sold the Rosedale-Queen Mary building which had been an important part of our mission since amalgamation in 2011. (The sale was itself a painful reminder of the changes in the church.) In the face of these changes, Mount Royal United Church has begun to carefully examine its ministry, and has begun to reframe it for the future.

Three important aspects of this reframing process have come from particular endeavours. First, since the Truth and Reconciliation Meeting in Montreal, we have made some quiet exploration of relationships with First Nations communities. Second, our exploration of our relationship to the LGBTQ community (an exploration which has been too slow for some, and too fast for others!) has sparked reflection of inclusion and hospitality, helping us reset and re-prioritize some of the pieces in our framework. Third, the Mission Strategy Committee has brought new partnerships to the forefront of our work, and continues to push us as a congregation as we look at how we are part of the larger 'neighbourhood' – a neighbourhood now as big as Montreal and beyond!

This reframing has been undertaken by the entire congregation, but especially by our volunteer leaders. I am grateful to all of them not only as the "Minister of Mount Royal United Church" but personally as a member of this community of faith. Your leaders have, without exception, offered wonderful service to your church during changing times.

Some of this reframing is noticeable on Sunday morning. Our forms of worship have been evolving almost imperceptibly – until you notice the ushers dance up the aisle with the offering as the choir and congregation clap along! Your Worship Committee encourages variety – like communion at stations, and the invitation to many different guest speakers – and have kept worship nurturing the life of the congregation.

Our dedicated choir, under Michel Gauthier, not only offers a rich music program each Sunday (52 weeks a year!), but brings an increasing variety of expressions of our church's spirit – from ancient chant through Bach, jazz, gospel rhythms and Leonard Cohen. Because we worship with them week to week, I suspect our congregation doesn't know what it has! – especially in mid-July when most churches have no choir support!

Your Sunday School and Youth leaders have developed a nurturing place for our children, and have given them insight not only in the Bible but into Christian life. No better example was the Christmas Pageant, developed by Winnie Stewart, which told the Christmas story as it had been lived out by members of our congregation. The annual 'Breakfast with Santa' (a fund raiser for Elizabeth House) and our Youth Group's commitment to learning about and addressing Food Security issues are other examples of putting our faith into action.

We have also been reframing our relationship with several community groups, especially those who were tenants in the Rosedale-Queen Mary Building. I am grateful to the original Rosedale-Queen Mary management team not only for their ongoing management of that property, but for the care they have offered those community groups during this year of transition. These relationships have not been dropped. Indeed, they have been transformed as we weave them into our mission strategy.

I am also grateful for the ongoing work of the Outreach Committee, and the Pastoral Care Committee for maintaining and enhancing our relationships. Pastoral Care keeps in contact (by phone, visit, cards and gifts) to a great many of our members. They are very much 'the tie that binds', bringing the love of Christ and the care of the church to so many of our members who are not able to be in our midst regularly. The Outreach Committee keeps up our long time commitments to the work of the Côte-des-Neiges Council's Mini-Prix, summer camps and ecumenical work; COCLA; Montreal City Mission; St. Columba House; and a variety of other outreach ministries. The Christmas Party for COCLA, with all those presents, was a great example of this!

You may have noticed that the Buildings and Grounds Committee has been very active. They have ensured that the fabric of our building is safe, well-maintained, and improved. Without their diligence, we would not have this base which to gather and to work; rather we would be constantly 'plugging leaks'!

Our building and finances have also been well managed by our treasurer, Bob Conyers, with the support of Betty Miller, and by our Trustees. Indeed, I am grateful for the Trustees' active participation in developing the ongoing ministry of Mount Royal United Church. They were diligent in the sale of the Rosedale-Queen Mary property, caring for the Mount Royal United Church property, and in managing the congregation's endowments.

Much of this re-framing is supported by the day to day work of your staff, Betty Miller, Bev Anderson-Levine, Ricky King, Michel Gauthier and Chester Gardose. I am personally grateful for their support of this ministry, even in times of change, as well as for the support and encouragement of the Ministry Personnel Committee, which is our clearing house for policy and permission.

I will be interested to see how Mount Royal United Church refreshes and resets the pieces of its ministry in the coming days. You are a progressive, outwardly focussed group, who are fortunate to have the human and financial resources to be innovative. And now is the time to be daring!

David Clinker

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Council – 2014

2014 has been another busy year for your council as we pursue the mission of Mount Royal United Church in its fullest.

At our monthly meetings we support the work of the congregation, both temporal and spiritual, considering topics ranging from the leaky Rumpus Room walls, to Stewardship, to creating a revised, inclusive Mission Statement.

Every committee's achievements are considerable as reflected in their summaries in this annual report.

And each of these committees' monthly reports to council is rich grounds for motions with animated discussion and debate.

The United Church Manual states that Council members are selected by the congregation for their wisdom, caring, spiritual discernment and gifts of the Spirit. And I would add for their fortitude and perseverance.

For this we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted

Brenda Pelton Council Chair

Mount Royal United Church Statistical Summary - 2014

	January 1 to Deccember 31, 2014	January 1 to Deccember 31, 2013	January 1 to December 31, 2012	January 1 to December 31, 2011	January 1 to December 31, 2010
Total Households	183	200	223	230 (*)	169
Baptisms / Dedications	6	7	5	4	5
Weddings	5	6	13	11	16
Burials	12	21	25	20	10

Please see the Baptisms, Weddings and In Memoriam pages at the end of Section One

(*) The significant change over the previous year's figure is due to the amalgamation with Rosedale-Queen Mary United Church and a counting method which better reflects the number of households under pastoral care.

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Pastoral Care Committee – 2014

Life's changes can seem overwhelming, especially when they involve a decline in strength or health, an uprooting from friends and familiar surroundings or an inability to get up and go where you want under your own steam.

The Pastoral Care Committee tries to ease these transitions with regular friendly visits, telephone chats, drives to appointments and church events, outings and errands and with cheery notes to let people know they are being thought of. Guided by The Rev. David Clinker, we have kept in close touch with more than 50 Mount Royal United Church members during the past year, keeping them connected with our caring congregation. Occasional contact with many others has been maintained through holiday greetings and the personal delivery of poinsettias at Christmas and daffodils at Easter, as well as cards to encourage speedy recoveries or to mark birthdays, anniversaries, births, bereavements and special occasions.

I would like to thank the really stellar crew who have been working these wonders on the congregation's behalf all year long, and continue to do so. They are: Suzie Batrie, Gillian Davies, Lorna Dougan, Sadie Fergus, Pat Grier, Ginnie King, John Mackay, Joan Meyer and Ann Price. We are in awe of all that is accomplished by The Rev. David Clinker.

Ann Laughlin Stanfield Chair

Mount Royal United Church Right Relations Group - 2014

Most of the activity in the past year focused on exchanging information on developments in aboriginal issues, for example, the proposed Education Act, the continuing refusal by the government to have an official investigation into the numbers of missing and murdered aboriginal women, refusal of the government to turn over all the archival material on the residential schools, the Idle No More movement, among others. These exchanges were mostly done by e-mail.

A highlight for the year was a moving and engaging aboriginal service on April 9, 2014, led by The Rev. Martha Nell Thomson, currently chair of the Right Relations Committee, Montreal Presbytery. She was assisted by members of the Mount Royal United Church Right Relations Group.

Members of the group: Donald Cho, Gill Davies, Brenda Pelton, Ann Price, Janet Willard and Ingrid Thompson

Respectfully submitted,

Ingrid Thompson

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Women – 2014

With a membership of about 40 women, some active while others participate in special events, the Mount Royal United Church women had another banner year. In January we started with a show of Oman, Dubai and UAE presented by our expert traveller, Ann Stanfield. In the following months, several members presented interesting book reports, and Winnie Stewart led us in exercises.

At our Christmas luncheon last year we raised over \$300.00. A donation of \$150.00 was given to the Summer Camp fund in Côte des Neiges and another donation of \$200.00 was given to the Médecins sans Frontières.

Our fundraising this year was:

- 1. **Tea and Scones** on Saturday April 12, 2014 raising \$1,252.60. This is a fun event bringing in lots of people from the community.
- 2. **Used books**: Books sold after church for a minimum amount of \$1.00 raised \$219.60. Hopefully good books will be recycled again!
- 3. **"Roofs for the Roofless"** raised \$269.09, less than last year but we hope with more advertising we can raise that amount.
- 4. **Christmas bazaar**: We extended our opening by ½ hour allowing more people to attend on their way around the circuit of bazaars. We were not as successful as last year but we still raised \$6,800.00. It was an enjoyable day for all. Thanks to all who supported the bazaar, to all who worked so hard to make this a success and those who donated.

Our closing luncheon in June was held at Dupond & Dupont and our Christmas lunch was held again at the church where part of the luncheon was catered. The food was delicious and Santa left lots of gifts.

On a sad note we lost a great member Barbara Bisset, a transfer from St. Andrews Norwood Church bringing with her many ideas of fundraising. Also several of our members lost love ones during the year.

We hope that 2015 will bring health, happiness and wisdom!

A Word from the Music Director – 2014

"Whoever sings once, prays twice", wrote Saint-Augustine.

Thanks to our choir members and soloists for their faithful loyalty and artistry: Reg Fergus, Grant Hynes, Don Cogland, Emsey Elkas, Laurence Gauthier, Carol Murphy, Gwen Kirton, Lynda Pilon, Gretel John, Lorna Dougan and Jessica Wise.

Thanks to the church for lovingly maintaining our magnificent Casavant organ and Kawai grand piano.

Respectfully submitted,

Michel Gauthier, Director of Music

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Mission at the Rosedale-Queen Mary Site – 2014

After three and a half years of ownership by Mount Royal United Church, the Rosedale-Queen Mary property was sold to a Buddhist Temple and your management team's mandate ended in June 2014. Over those 42 months we managed the site effectively, efficiently and at all times maintained a secure environment for the tenants. The physical property was in much better shape after our tenure than it was when the Mount Royal United Church mission began.

Your management team of Sandra Aird, Emsey Elkas, Steve Adams, Robin Willard, Ingrid Thompson and Lex Green worked long hours to ensure a successful Mount Royal United Church mission at Rosedale-Queen Mary and we thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to work together to unite the tenants of the property in a cooperative sharing atmosphere. As a group we came to better understand the difficulties faced by many "not for profit" organizations that work for the betterment of the NDG and CDN communities and learned to appreciate how many dedicated individuals are involved in these organizations and how many families depend on the services they offer. It was a moving and rewarding experience for all of us.

Financially the sale of the Rosedale-Queen Mary property generated net proceeds to Mount Royal United Church of \$1,409,013 as per the final analysis done by the Mount Royal United Church treasurer Bob Conyers. According to the original covenant signed by the trustees of Rosedale-Queen Mary and Mount Royal United Church 40% of the proceeds will be used to "address the needs of the elderly and marginal people in NDG, CDN, VSL, and Ahuntsic areas through some form of mission project or endowment fund described by an outreach proposal" and "60% of the proceeds would be put to the ongoing life of the Mount Royal congregation and resource the ministry and mission of Mount Royal United Church." Subsequently a mission strategy committee has been formed at Mount Royal United Church to deal with the development of a detailed strategy to honour these commitments and the legacy of Rosedale-Queen Mary. There is a tremendous opportunity for Mount Royal United Church to do something really significant to help those in need and many opportunities are being examined and discussed. Several disbursements have been made to worthy causes and more news is forthcoming.

Although the Rosedale-Queen Mary Management team favoured a sale to a "not for profit" organization based in NDG, that unfortunately did not happen and we realize that the Mount Royal United Church Trustees and Mount Royal United Church council are pleased with the final sale results and hope the congregation is as well.

Your Rosedale-Queen Mary management team will treasure the many wonderful memories generated by the Rosedale-Queen Mary adventure and appreciate all the support we received along the way.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rosedale-Queen Mary Management Team

Mount Royal United Church Christian Education and Sunday School & Youth Group - 2014

Mount Royal United Church Sunday School and Youth continued to be a vibrant and active group during 2014. From Sunday morning classes for children age 5-11 and discussion group for teens ... to play time in the Nursery for babies & toddlers, the sounds of learning and laughter resound in the halls of our church. Beyond Sunday mornings, Mount Royal United Church youth meet once a month on weekends for various social activities.

To keep up with the teeming energy of our young people, we are blessed with a team of dedicated teachers and leaders who devote time and energy to running our programs week after week. At the end of January 2014 Sun Young Kim was hired as the Children and Youth Minister. Sunny brought her guitar, lively music and joyful song to our Sunday School program. Sunny returned to school full time thus ending her time at Mount Royal United Church at the end of June.

Teachers / Leaders:

Nursery: Karina Perez (January to February 2014), Esme Panarello (September to December 2014) Sunday School: Elizabeth Boivin, Linda Bachelder, Sue Clinker, Johanne Schumann Youth Group: Cathy Farrell Doug Morrissey, Mary Redpath, Children and Youth Minister: Sun Young-Kim (January to June 2014)

Registration:

Nursery / Cradle roll: 3 Primary (K-Grade 6): 12 Youth (Grade 7-11): 14

Curriculum:

Children Ages 5-11 learned Old & New Testament stories, shared "roses and thorns" and their understanding of the stories each Sunday. We used the Seasons of the Spirit curriculum from January to June; from September 2014 onward, we used Feasting on the Word.

Youth Group Ages 12+ met every Sunday morning and participated in social gatherings on weekends. They also served as greeters, readers and coffee / tea servers on occasional Sundays. Sunday morning can be lively as they discuss current social issues and conflicts, share personal opinions, and explore these within their faith and beliefs.

Highlights of 2014:

<u>January & February</u>'s bitter cold days did not stop enthusiastic children, teens, leaders and parents from enjoying the SS & YG Annual Skating Party followed by scrumptious hot chocolate and treats back at church. On a Friday evening in February, Youth Group tobogganed at Beaver Lake followed by a get-together at the Higgins' home.

BUNCO Night, a family games night, brought some 30 people young and old to a fast-paced evening of Bunco fun, delicious desserts and refreshments.

In <u>March</u>, Mount Royal United Church youth enjoyed "Glow-in-the-dark" mini-putt followed by supper and a movie at the Clinker's home.

<u>April</u> at Mount Royal United Church kicked off in high gear with 40 beautiful voices of the Windham Chamber Singers from Maine. From gospel to contemporary, from loud drumbeating to the hushed chanting and rain forest magic, the music was uplifting and joyous!

Easter Sunday attendance totaled 18 (visitors and regulars). After reviewing and re-enacting the Easter story, many Easter eggs were found and enjoyed by everyone.

<u>April & May</u>: The 2014 edition of the Youth Group's Annual Fast Fundraiser was in support of local area Summer Day Camps. A total of \$2,529 was raised by the Mount Royal United Church young people, of which 34% were donated by people outside Mount Royal United Church. By setting up a PayPal account, the youth group was able to reach out to friends and family outside the Mount Royal United Church community. Here are some of the activities that helped raise the camp funds:

YG Fast & Lunch Fundraiser:	\$592.71
YG Fast on-line donations:	\$860.10
YG Fast donations Mount Royal United Church:	\$390.00
YG Car Wash:	\$279.45
Sunday School Tuck Shop:	\$32.05
YG Raffle of Jewelry:	\$393.00

A very special thank you goes to Cindy Musgrave who generously donated 2 beautiful sets of sterling and pearl jewelry to the Youth Group Summer Camp Fundraiser. The jewelry was won by a delighted Myrna Naman Aoun!

In <u>June</u> the children and youth celebrated the start of summer with Funday in the Park, enjoying games, races and a delicious BBQ lunch. It also marked the last day of Sunday School as young families and leaders all headed off on summer break for the months of July and August.

With grateful but sad hearts, we said good-bye to Linda Bachelder who retired after 10 years as a faithful and steadfast leader and teacher. Her creativity, exuberance, sense of humour, and her love for all the kids young and older are greatly missed by all. If you listen carefully, one might still hear her Christmas pageants echoing in the sanctuary.

After the summer break, Rally Sunday in <u>September</u> was truly magical! The magic of Mount Royal United Church was highlighted in The Rev. David Clinker's sermon and reflected in the performance of Magician Bao An Hoang. What a wonderful welcome back to the more than 120 young and old who gathered for worship in the sanctuary. A delicious Rally Day lasagna lunch was served afterwards in Lynn Hall.

We welcomed Esme Panarello as Nursery Attendant. Esme's calm and gentle care welcomes our youngest children and quiets any tears very quickly.

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In <u>October</u>, the Youth Group enjoyed the fall bounty as they picked apples and made pies, all hosted by the Convers family.

Along with Advent in <u>November</u>, preparations for the Christmas Pageant began in earnest. Once again, under the enthusiastic and energetic leadership of Winnie Stewart, the children rehearsed songs, created props and learned their roles that culminated in the presentation of "The Gifts of Christmas" in <u>December</u>. It featured heartfelt stories offered by members of Mount Royal United Church. We are extremely grateful to Winnie Stewart for writing, producing and directing the 2014 pageant and to the teachers for their invaluable assistance.

In <u>December</u>, the Christmas spirit inspired the Youth Group to take on 2 projects: Food security issues close to home, and our annual Santa's Breakfast for Elizabeth House. With a very successful Bake Sale and jewelry raffle, and the generosity of donors, a total of \$728.00 was raised to benefit Lauren Hill Academy's breakfast / lunch / snack program that recently had funding cut.

The annual Santa's Breakfast raised \$980.00 for Elizabeth House. This surpassed the previous record amount raised (\$799.00 from last year). All this thanks to the early morning energy of the youth, Sunday School elves, Santa and our hard working kitchen crew! And of course those who donated raffle prizes, especially the signed P.A. Parenteau hockey stick donated by Ellen Morneau!

Thank you to The Rev. David Clinker for his inspired leadership, the dedication of all the teachers and leaders, the ongoing support of the congregation, and the energy and enthusiasm of the children and youth at Mount Royal United Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Boivin



Youth Group Car Wash Fundraiser for Summer Day Camps



"The Gifts of Christmas" Pageant 2014

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Windham Chamber Singers – the girls serenading a shy Tun!

Santa's Elves

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Affirm Committee – 2014

The members of the Affirm Committee are:

Heather Copeland, Gillian Davies, Genie Morrissey, Brenda Pelton, Ann Price, Ingrid Thompson, and Jessica Wise along with our minister The Rev. David Clinker.

Our committee met five times during the past year to continue to explore the educational process which we hope will enable our church to fully understand what it means to be an Affirming church congregation. Several members of the committee also attended the Council meeting in December 2014 to address recent concerns from Council members as to whether or not it is important to follow the Affirm United process or if we move forward with our own plan outside of AU oversight. This will continue to be discussed in the coming year.

In March of 2014, The Rev. Donald Boisvert, Concordia University professor, Deptartment of Religion, spoke at our service. Also, in September of 2014, The Rev. David Clinker preached about the biblical references regarding LGBTQ issues followed by a discussion in the sanctuary including questions specifically for The Rev. David Clinker. The congregation was given advance notice of this sermon and meeting which took place immediately following The Rev. David Clinker's sermon. The attached document was drawn up containing the main questions / answers / concerns from this meeting. The format was that after some specific questions directed to The Rev. David Clinker, the attendees broke into smaller discussion groups and came together briefly at the end.

Before becoming Affirming, officially or otherwise, it will be necessary to develop and discuss with the congregation a new Mission Statement which will include specifics about our intentions for becoming more welcoming not only to the LGBTQ community but also to others with special needs. We are already working on small steps to achieve this (e.g., indicating on goodies served at after-worship coffee their potentially risky ingredients).

Our committee will continue to meet to discuss this whole process within Mount Royal United Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Gillian Davies and Genie Morrissey (co-chairs) 2015

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Affirm Committee – 2014

Questions, Comments and Responses arising from September 21st Service

1. Are Canadian churches as unwelcoming as those David showed from the US?

- a. Some congregations in Canada are very welcoming. Others are indeed as unwelcoming as the examples we saw and heard. Part of the difficulty is that the dominant voices in North America tend to be those which are often less than welcoming towards the LGTBQ community.
- b. "All are welcome" signs do not always mean that LGTBQ people are welcome. Some churches here in Canada have signs like this, but if asked, they make it clear that LGTBQ people, while welcome to attend services, would not be welcome to participate in leadership roles or have their families and relationships affirmed.

2. I think we are already welcoming and affirming at Mount Royal United Church. Why the fuss?

a. Taking a public stand on this issue may, to some, seem strange at first. Many people feel that Mount Royal United Church gives a very warm welcome to all and there is no need for this step. However, for people (particularly in the LGTBQ community) seeking a church home, things are less evident. This is especially true for those who have not attended church often or who come from a church that takes a different position. Knowing that Mount Royal United Church was an affirming church would allow them to take that first step without the risk and fear of hurtful treatment or exclusion for them and their families.

3. Which Montreal churches are affirming? How is this displayed or made known?

- a. There are five Affirming United Churches in the Montréal area see Affirm's website (affirmunited.ause.ca/quebec) for a list of these churches' Vision/Mission statements:
 - i. Beaconsfield United Church (Beaconsfield)
 - ii. Summerlea United Church (Lachine)
 - iii. Église unie Saint-Jean (Montréal)
 - iv. Cedar Park United Church (Pointe-Claire)
 - v. Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue Union Church (Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue).
- b. Some ways that these congregations express their membership in Affirm United are:
 - i. A mission or vision statement that expressly welcomes LGTBO people
 - ii. A visible symbol (such as the Affirm logo) of which people can take note as they pass the building.
 - iii. The statement and symbol can be found somewhere on the congregation's website.
- c. There are several other congregations of various denominations, including some in the United Church of Canada, which do not belong to Affirm United, but are actively affirming. They make a similar visible statement to the LGTBQ community that they will be honoured and affirmed in that congregation.

4. What is Mount Royal United Church's stance on same sex marriage?

a. Several years ago, Mount Royal United Church took a position on marriage equality and committed to offering marriage ceremonies to same-sex couples under the same conditions as those applied to opposite-sex couples.

5. If Mount Royal United Church joins Affirm United, will attrition be a problem?

- a. Mount Royal United Church has a history of retaining membership even in the face of conflicts.
- b. When Rosedale-Queen Mary United Church became Affirming, a few people left, but new members also joined because of this decision. Some of them were from the LGBTQ community, but some were simply drawn to a congregation which took an affirming position. A social justice stance could attract members.

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c. Ultimately, Mount Royal United Church is attempting to discern what is the right thing to do, and make our decision based upon how we answer this question.

6. How proactive will we be in the process? How visible in publicizing?

- a. The underlying raison d'être of Affirm United is to help LGTBQ people who may have been alienated from their Christian communities, or who come from outside of a church tradition, to find a place where they will know that they and their families will be welcome.
- b. There are those who desire to publicise this process, and they ask:
 - i. Why not call the press at the time of posting the outside sign?
 - ii. Why not publish a brief article in the newspaper if we join Affirm?
 - iii. Why not be visible somehow during Pride week?
- c. No doubt people will show leadership on this issue in different ways.
- d. Some people feel more reserved or uncomfortable at the idea of making a public stand on issues of gender and sexuality.

7. When and how will we vote?

- a. Several feel that the congregation is ready and further discussion is unnecessary. Others are less enthusiastic about a vote in the very near future.
- b. The Affirm Committee is committed to bringing this to a vote once we feel we have fulfilled our responsibilities in informing the congregation and following the process recommended by Affirm United.

8. Would the vote be a 'show of hands' or a private vote?

a. The Council would decide this. It has been suggested that this particular issue is usually voted on by a show of hands.

9. Who can vote?

- a. Members of the church may vote.
- b. Youth who have been confirmed are full members, and as such, may vote.
- c. Several members of the congregation have expressed a desire that the vote be extended to adherents. There is a procedure for this.

10. Will the Affirm committee continue?

a. Yes. If Mount Royal United Church becomes a member of Affirm United, we are committed to an ongoing process and a journey towards becoming more welcoming to all.

11. What is the process if something offensive happens?

a. The Affirm Committee is considering this carefully. It is evident that a clear process would be necessary. We will continue to work on this, with the goal of discerning how we could best contribute to wholeness and right relationship in the event of hurtful or abusive behaviour.

12. What will the Affirm process entail?

- a. A congregational vote on whether to formally join the Affirm organization
- b. An ongoing discussion as to how our particular congregation will be Affirming. If we become a part of Affirm United, this conversation will continue as we learn together.
- c. The preparation of a Mission/Vision Statement
- d. The addition of a visible sign to let people from the LGTBQ community know they will be welcomed and affirmed in our congregation.

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e. An official worship service declaring our decision to become an Affirming congregation.

13. Is the Affirm agenda detracting from other part of our church life?

a. From one congregant: "It is wonderful that we are having this discussion together. Perhaps something that may come out of this conversation will be more openness to other communities as well." How does our church welcome and include those from other socio-economic, linguistic, cultural or ethnic backgrounds? This remains a challenge that we must meet.

14. Have any opinions really shifted during the last 3 years? If so, why?

a. Some people have changed their minds. One member's opinion has changed because of the reports of abuses in countries such as Russia, Uganda and Iran, and now feels that Canadian churches must make a stand.

15. If I have a question or a comment for the Affirm Committee, what should I do?

a. You may direct your question or comment to Heather Copeland, Gillian Davies, Genie Morrissey, Ingrid Thompson, Brenda Pelton, Ann Price, or Jessica Wise in person, in writing or by email, so that we can bring it to the attention of the committee.

Mount Royal United Church - Fundscrip - 2014

Fundscrip is a fund-raising programme in which Mount Royal United Church has been participating since approximately 2006.

Funds are raised through the receipt of a portion of the value of gift cards sold to members of Mount Royal United Church, effectively a sales commission. In 2014, Mount Royal United Church's participation in the Fundscrip programme raised \$1,520.91 to be applied to the General Fund. This is compared to \$1,522.70 in 2013. In 2014, the overall commission rate amounted to a net of approximately 3.04% of card sales, compared to 3.06% net in 2013.

Due to accounting cycles, the amount of money transferred to Mount Royal United Church in 2014 was \$1,563.08.

New purchasers of cards are always welcome, and one may order cards securely either with Donald Buchan directly or securely on the internet.

Thank you for your support in 2014. We are looking forward to a successful 2015.

Donald Buchan

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Ministry and Personnel – 2014

December 2014

The Ministry and Personnel Committee provides a confidential setting for consultation with and support and assessment of ministerial, administrative and facilities staff. Its mandate is to:

- provide consultation and support for staff members
- · review working conditions and salary levels of staff members
- oversee the relationship of these staff to members of the pastorals charge and others
- oversee the relationship between responsibilities and relationships of these staff members
- support and oversee the relationships between these staff members
- consult with these staff members about their continuing education
- review performance of these staff members annually.

During the 2014 calendar year, the committee reviewed performance matters of staff, discussed individual job challenges and requirements and recommended salary adjustments where appropriate. In addition, we held discussions with The Rev. David Clicker on such matters as approving his proposed education program for the year, as well as operational and congregational matters.

We have an excellent committee, and I wish to thank the other members of the committee, Mary Johnson and Ellen Morneau, for their help and support of this very important function within our congregation.

We would also like to thank our staff members for their hard work and dedication to our congregation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Neil Hindle Chair

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Buildings and Grounds – 2014

It has been a busy year for Buildings & Grounds. Many thanks to Bob Tabah, Emsey Elkas, Doug Morrissey, Don Cho and our minister, The Rev. David Clinker, for the many hours spent making sure our buildings continue to be in good shape.

During a rainstorm in early January, water on the roof of the gym overflowed into the ceiling outside the Lower Kitchen causing parts of it to fall into the gym being used by the Garderie Gouin Lemire. The \$73,000.00 cost of replacement of a 25' x 40' ceiling section and the related cleanup (asbestos was involved) was covered by our insurance; our portion of the cost was under \$5,000.00.

Water leakage into the rumpus room and the lower narthex has been a problem for years. In order to make these areas suitable for rental and / or storage, and with many thanks to Bob Tabah for continuing to take charge of this project, the exterior drainage around the church was extended to include outside the rumpus room, alongside the sanctuary and the window well on the south side of the narthex. Dry wells were installed to take care of the surface water runoff.

Plumbing work inside the buildings was expensive this year. After many years of living with slowly draining sinks in the janitor's cleaning room and Lower Kitchen, we engaged Décarie Plumbing to do a thorough job. They replaced a rusted p-trap in the Powder Room that had allowed water to drip into the Lower Kitchen and they replaced a corroded exterior hose outlet at the front of the church; lots of breaking of mortar and time was involved. Finally, they installed a sump pump in the lower narthex.

Many thanks to Doug Morrissey for extending the WiFi network to include the Lower and Lynn Halls, Daisy Morrow Room, and sanctuary as well as improving the sound system in the sanctuary.

The church organ received a \$10,000.00 tune up as recommended by the Worship Committee that involved replacement of wooden stoppers on four ranks of metal pipes and thorough cleaning of the reed mechanisms on the Cornopean 8'. The work was done by Les Ateliers Guilbault, Bellavance.

Mount Royal United Church signed a fixed price contract with a natural gas supplier, Superior Energy, for a three year period. The rate is 18.649 ¢/m³, slightly higher than what we are paying now, but this gives us protection against further increases plus helps us project our annual costs a bit better.

There is a need to improve handicapped access to the upper and lower floors of Mount Royal United Church from Graham Boulevard (1900 entrance). Paul Stanfield will head up a subcommittee looking at various solutions, possibly involving the installation of a wheelchair lift.

And finally, a five year lease with Garderie Myrielle Gouin Lemire and a two year lease with Pre-maternelle Royaume des Enfants have been signed.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stanfield, Chair

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Outreach – 2014

The Outreach Committee met five times in 2014. The committee members included: Don Cho, Gillian Davies, Emsey Elkas, Bill Grier, Ginnie King, Ann Price (chair), Tun Thwin, and The Rev. David Clinker (pastor). Outreach's focus, as always, has been, encouraging and supporting organizations whose needs have come to the church's attention. The major endeavours are the following:

SUMMER DAY CAMP: \$7,000.00 were raised and distributed to three groups: Montreal City Mission \$500.00; St. Columba House \$500.00; and to the Côte des Neiges Council of Churches \$6,000.00.

The Côte des Neiges Council of Churches supports four camps: 1) Camp Soleil on Côte des Neiges Rd. at Plamondon Ave. (60 needy children and two with special needs); 2) St. Paul's Anglican Church Camp on St. Catherine Rd. (80 disadvantaged children); 3) Camp Communautaire Notre Dame des Neiges on Cote des Neiges Rd. Near Queen Mary Rd. (50 needy children); and. 4) Camp Communautaire Mountain Sights on Mountain Sights Rd. near Paré St. (50 needy children). Thanks to your financial support, along with others from these areas, this work is able to continue and these deserving children blossom attending these well organized camp programs.

Emsey Elkas

COCLA: Continued growth keeps them creating new solutions. Their food bank area has been remodeled to improve circulation and allow for the distribution of tastings and recipes, prepared to introduce products with which most of the clientele are not familiar. The Seniors' Program offers community outreach, information, socialization, a weekly community meal, and personalized assistance. Support for youth groups is also part of the busy days at COCLA.

Mount Royal United Church was pleased to host a Christmas party for the young (1 to 11 years old). Two hundred children and their families were invited to celebrate with Santa!

White Gifts: Contributions permitted the donations of \$500 each to Montreal City Mission, St. Columba House, and Multicaf. St. Paul's Anglican Church was given \$300. COCLA received \$1,000.00 plus Christmas gifts for the children.

Mission Strategy Committee made their first distribution of funds. They gave \$3,000.00 each to: The NDG Food Bank, and three tenants of the Rosedale property (1. Women on the Rise, 2. HIPPY, and 3. Head and Hands' Young Parents Program). SAVA (Soutien et abri aux ainés, victimes d'abus) were given \$4,200.00. COCLA was given \$6,000.00.

Mount Royal United Church's Sunday School raised \$980.00 for Elizabeth House with their Breakfast with Santa. They also raised \$1,138.00 for Lauren Hill School's breakfast program.

Thank you for your generous contributions to all of these organizations. They are very appreciative as are the members of this committee who are the direct recipients of their thanks.

Ann Price

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 COCLA – 2014



PRESENTED TO: MOUNT ROYAL UNITED CHURCH

Mount Royal United Church is one of our indispensable partners in the mission of our organization and in its Laurentian community outreach. It has been 30 years that COCLA is rooted in Ville Saint-Laurent by offering various services to the newly arrived in Canada and in the past two years, COCLA has defined its actions by specializing itself in three axes (Families, Seniors and Children) in order to answer in an efficient way and to better use the resources.

In this report, we will present the findings of our activities for the period of April 2014 to February 2015.

FOOD SECURITY

Concerning this Axe, COCLA offers a service that is well known in Saint-Laurent: Its Food Bank Distribution. This service is destined to the poorest families without any income. Our clients are diversified such as students (25), seniors (125), and families (180). We also distribute for free snacks to day cares for children 1 to 5 years old (120 children benefit for free). In total, 450 beneficiaries benefit from our Food Bank Distribution each week. COCLA also has an emergency food bank from Monday to Thursday and its beneficiaries come from the CLSC, the hospital, on unemployment, on social welfare, from their social worker and other partners. The total number of beneficiaries per week that have free access to the food are 80.

In order to answer to the largest needs, COCLA finds itself lacking space because the demands are high. Aside from the fact that we are lacking space, during our Food Bank Distribution, we distribute 13 to 15 tons of food per week.

Services to the Families

Regarding this component, COCLA has repositioned itself on the issues table of COSSL that focus on seniors and on children.

Seniors: After one year and a half, COCLA will be the carrier organization of the Outreach Worker for seniors in Saint-Laurent project. We are very proud because after a long process, the seniors that are isolated, vulnerable and at risk of social exclusion can see the light. To recognize this work, our Outreach Worker for seniors in Saint-Laurent received a recognition plaque from the SPVM Station 7 of Saint-Laurent.

Findings: Concerning the results obtained: The environments observed: 98%, the resources identified: 54.3%, the individual formal meetings with seniors: 64.2%, the references according to the problems: 63.67%. The Outreach Worker has created areas of exchange in order to make viable the information concerning the seniors to the social workers that do not know all the resources of Saint-Laurent in order to support them throughout their steps with the seniors that use the services of the CLSC Saint-Laurent.

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Nutrition Workshops: Two areas

1.- Nutrition Cooking Program: This activity for seniors was developed to respond to access to food and to food vulnerability because 75% of seniors have difficulties to prepare their healthy meals due to the fact that most of them are medicalized and other factors (allergies, reduced mobility, language problems, etc.).

The purpose of this program is to break their isolation, social exclusion and have access to food.

Results: After receiving the financial application from the Good Samaritan Fund of the United Church of Canada:

- The quality of nutrition, access to food and access to warm meals has improved
- Free deliveries were made by the Camelot for seniors in Saint-Laurent
- 30 seniors benefit directly from the Friendship meals on Wednesdays at COCLA
- 23 meals are delivered to seniors in difficulty (financial, reduced mobility) each week
- **2. Nutricocla Project (Children):** The context in which the children take their meals has an influence on the development of healthy eating habits. Often, children eat alone at home because their parents get home late from work. This can influence the children's bad eating habits. The meals planning and how to handle conflicts continue to be a challenge for certain parents, the food insecurity pervades low income families who do not allow to create a friendly environment. In this regard, COCLA suggests the three magic of Nutricocla.

The general objective is to facilitate the access to a favourable nutrition by the workshops given by a nutritionist to parents of children aged 2 to 5 years old and to further develop their knowledge on the local resources and on healthy eating habits in their children's environments.

Expected Results:

During the project's process, we have joined 96 children and 130 parents during 24 weeks. We have always kept our target from July to December 2014. We have held tasting booths with the participants and the parents throughout Nutricocla's workshops in order to increase the number of families that will learn on healthy eating habits and food education. During these kiosks, 210 parents and 180 children visited the kiosks. For each occasion that we will have, we will continue with popular education.

We have examined the results obtained and have tried to measure the performance brought to our project. Also, the question on the causes and the effects has allowed us to validate if the results that we got respond to the project's objective.

60% of young parents aged between 19 and 35 years old and 15% of grandparents with their grandchildren of 2 to 5 years old have benefited from these workshops because certain parents have difficulties to participate with their children. We found that there was an increase in the participation during the period of august to September 2014 with an average of 60% of children 2 to 5 years old and 30% of parents. However, there was a decrease in the participants during the month of December 2014 due to the holiday season.

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To answer to the results of this project, we have chosen the qualitative and quantitative methods to measure the effects and the results of the project. We had 10 follow up meetings with the person in charge of the project (Nutrition agent of the three magic of Nutricocla) in order to review the action plan, the program, the context and the balance sheet. In addition, we have evaluated two on five workshops randomly to measure the strengths and weaknesses of the agent's performance.

Social Community Services

1.- Camelot of seniors: It is a service to accompany the Outreach Worker for Seniors in Saint-Laurent in order to identify the places, the seniors' environments, the existing resources and to deliver food baskets and warm meals for free:

April 2014 to January 2015: 150 seniors have benefitted from this service and 40 seniors' environments and 60 existing resources were identified in Saint-Laurent.

2. - Mini-Grocery: It is an initiative from COCLA. The last two years we have created more space. In order to create permanent financial resources, for the period of April 2014 to January 2015, we made a profit of \$62,047.95 which allowed us for the continued functioning of COCLA: For every \$1 received, 50 cents went towards the support of the project, and the other 50 cents went towards the support of COCLA's financial obligations.

Results: The Camelot of Seniors is one of these initiatives and so is the salary of 5 part time employees.

3. - Christmas party for the children (350 children benefitted from the gifts): One of COCLA'S traditional activities with Mount Royal United Church. We are very grateful to The Rev. David Clinker and the Mount Royal United Church team that have contributed to put a smile on the children's faces during the holiday season. In particular, COCLA would like to thank Madam Ann Price for the success of this activity.

The families and the children enjoyed this activity because the majority of the families came from different countries and Christmas breaks the language, the cultures and the beliefs. Really, it is a time of joy and of compassion because our Jesus Christ provided food and drinks to the poorest families. In this regard, COCLA has a heart of love and compassion for our brothers and sisters who suffer in their souls. We are very grateful for Mount-Royal United Church's financial support for our activities where they gave an amount of \$8,380.00. Also, COCLA is very happy to have received an amount of \$28,622.00 for the Director's salary. Thank you Rev. David Clinker for continuing to support us.

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Nominating Committee

December 2014

The Elders whose term expired in this past year were invited to serve for a further term of three years and most of these elders accepted the reappointment with pleasure. They were as follows: Don Cho, Laure de Langavant, Lex Green, Margaret Heathcote, Brenda Pelton, Paul Stanfield and Tun Thwin. Don Cogland chose to step down from Council and we sincerely thank Don for his very generous contribution of time, energy and wise counsel. In addition, Ingrid Thompson has asked to step down from Presbytery, which means, with the death of Jean Singer, Mount Royal United Church has only one representative, Paul Stanfield.

During the year, we were also blessed by the fact that most of the Chairs of our committees agreed to continue their excellent work and we thank them for their continued service in these leadership roles. The Chairs of committees for 2015-2016 are as follows: Doug Morrissey – Property Use Committee; Neil Hindle – Ministry & Personnel; Paul Stanfield – Buildings and Grounds; Heather Copeland – Congregational Activities; Margaret Heathcote – Worship Committee; Ellen Morneau – Mount Royal United Church Women; Ann Laughlin – Pastoral Care; Ann Price – Outreach Committee; Ingrid Thompson – Right Relations; Gillian Davies and Genie Morrissey, co-chairs – Affirm Committee; Elizabeth Boivin – Christian Development, Sunday School and Youth Committee. During 2014, we were blessed to have Sun 'Sunny' Young Kim working with the Sunday School for a period of time. Following Sunny, we were fortunate to welcome Leanne MacLachlin who is currently helping to lead our Sunday School program.

With the sale of the Rosedale-Queen Mary property during the year, the Rosedale-Queen Mary site management team chaired by Lex Green completed their mandate, and we wish to thank them on behalf of the entire congregation for the excellent job they did with this challenging task.

The Church Council Officers for 2014-2015 will comprise Brenda Pelton as Chair of Council, The Rev. David Clinker as Minister, Margaret Heathcote as Clerk of Session, Bob Conyers as Treasurer and John MacKay as Roll Clerk. The Mount Royal United Church representative to Montreal Presbytery is Paul Stanfield.

Two positions as committee Chairs remain open: (1) Chair of Membership and (2) Chair of Stewardship. The position of Vice Chair of Council also remained vacant during the year. The Committee will continue to work on filling these vacancies during the upcoming year.

The responsibility for the Nominating Committee falls under the auspices of the Council. In closing, I would like to thank the members of the Council for their hard work and support of the Nominating Committee responsibilities throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Nominating Committee,

Neil R. Hindle

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church Worship Committee – 2014

The Committee members are: Elizabeth Boivin, The Rev. David Clinker, Michel Gauthier, Margaret Heathcote, Gretel John, Mary Johnson and Jessica Wise.

During 2014, we sadly lost Barbara Bisset, and accepted, with regret, the resignations of Lorena Cook and Heather Copeland-Stubington. We will miss their input and express our thanks for their dedication to the work of the Committee. We also said goodbye to Genaro Rojas Garces, our tenor soloist, who returned to Mexico; we will miss his presence in the Choir and congregation.

After reviewing the minutes for the past year, here are just a few highlights of our services:

- a) Jessica Wise's confirmation service in January
- b) Jazz Service in February
- c) Dedication of the RQM windows
- d) Black History Month service
- e) First Nations / Truth and Reconciliation service in March
- f) Affirm service with Professor Donald Boisvert as guest speaker
- g) Palm Sunday with COCLA lunch
- h) Easter Cantata
- i) Confirmation of the Youth group
- j) 50-year members' recognition with lunch
- k) Laity Sunday in June on Montreal & Ottawa Conference weekend
- l) Rally Day in September with magical guest "Bao"
- m) Affirm exploration with The Rev. David Clinker preaching
- n) Thanksgiving a beautiful Harvest table provided by Ann Price (many thanks, Ann)
- o) Remembrance Day service
- a) Advent / Christmas services candle-lighting by families, the Pageant, Choir presentation, Family Service, Blue Christmas (Sunday afternoon) special thanks to Jessica Wise and The Rev. David Clinker for making the service so meaningful and the members of the congregation who took part; Christmas Eve candlelight communion

A special thank you to Elizabeth Boivin for creating the beautiful Advent arrangement again this year.

Several baptisms were also celebrated throughout the year.

Also during the year, we were pleased to welcome guest ministers: The Rev. Jeff Barlow, The Rev. Paula Kline, The Rev. Martha Nell Thomson and The Rev. Neil Whitehouse.

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our organist, Michel Gauthier, our soloists Reg Fergus, Laurence Gauthier and Jessica Wise and all the choir members and thank them for their invaluable contribution to our worship life. We missed Laurence and Michel during their absences due to health reasons and were delighted upon their return. Thanks also to our guest musicians during the year: Stephane Girouard, Matthew Lane and Mireille Santerre.

Holy Communion was celebrated throughout the year, served both in the pews and at the Table. My thanks to the Elders who served, to Mary Johnson for her faithful service as the Communion Marshall preparing the

elements and the Table for each communion service, and to Donald Buchan who continues to be responsible for the washing of the communion cups.

During the year, Gwen Kirton graciously agreed to be Co-ordinator of the Lay Readers – thank you, Gwen! The Committee continues to look for a new Co-ordinator for the Greeters, and is always delighted to welcome new "recruits" as either Reader or Greeter.

The Committee sponsored several concerts throughout the year: Trio Incantato, the Wyndham Chamber Choir and Ensemble Kô.

The organ required some maintenance and repairs in 2014 – our thanks to the Trustees for providing the funding. Work continues on upgrading our sound system and adding a new sound board – our thanks to Doug Morrissey for undertaking this project.

The congregation now has a Facebook page – thanks to Jessica Wise for spearheading this project and acting as the Administrator.

Finally, thank you to the Committee members for your time and talents, and to our minister, The Rev. David Clinker who leads us on our journey of faith as a congregation and within the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Heathcote Clerk of Session and Chair of Worship

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 Mount Royal United Church "By the Numbers" – 2014

Some members of Mount Royal United Church were solicited to provide "numbers". Here are the "numbers" which were received:

27	Elders	40	Mount Royal United Church Women		
10	Trustees	29	Children and Youth		
12	Choir	14	Collection Counters		
79,600	kWh of Electricity consumed at Mount Royal United Church in 2014, for an average of 218 kWh per day; this represents an increase of almost 4% over 2013				
42,500	Cubic metres of natural gas consumed at Mount Royal United Church in 2014; this represents a decrease of 4.5% compared to 2013				
192	Sausages cooked for Santa's Breakfast, Sunday, December 14, 2014				
120	Children who attend the Garderie Gouin Lemire and Royaume des Enfants Day Care programs in Mount Royal United Church				
13	Varieties of frozen casseroles offered for sale at the Yuletide Fair				
3.04	Overall net percentage commissions earned on Fundscrip card sales in 2014				
3	Church soloists (Reg Fergus, Jessica Wise and Laurence Gauthier) who support our wonderful choir and delight us with their singing week by week				
2	Congregationally designated lay ministers – Julio Rivera-Gamarra, who has a specialized ministry with COCLA, and Leanne MacLachlin, who does wonderful work with our children youth and young adults				
1	Voluntary Associate Minister – The Rev. Neil Whitehouse – who worked with us after the amalgamation with Rosedale-Queen Mary United Church in 2011, but who, sadly, will be leaving our circle to begin a new ministry elsewhere in Montreal				

Thank you to Bev Anderson-Levine, Elizabeth Boivin, Donald Buchan, The Rev. David Clinker, Bob Conyers, Michel Gauthier, Bill Grier, Ann Laughlin, and Joan Meyer for graciously providing one or more "numbers".

Donald Buchan

Mount Royal United Church Annual Report 2014 <u>Mount Royal United Church Elders – 2014</u>

BISSET, Barbara
BOIVIN, Elizabeth
BUCHAN, Donald
CHO, Don
COGLAND, Don
CONYERS, Bob
COOPER, Sonja
COPELAND, Heather
DAVIES, Gillian
DE LANGAVANT, Laure
ELKAS, Emsey
FARRELL, Cathy

FOX, Scott

GREEN, Lex

HEATHCOTE, Margaret
HINDLE, Barbara
HINDLE, Neil
KIRTON, Gwen
LUCE, Frank
MORRISSEY, Doug
PELTON, Brenda
PRICE, Ann
PRYDE, Doug
STANFIELD, Ann
STANFIELD, Paul
THOMPSON, Ingrid
THWIN, Tun

Baptisms & Dedications

Sophie Thanh Mai Beauchamp Rebecca Mae Leelah John Awad Mikela Lily Rolli Camont Kristopher Jordan Sinaga Vanessa Audrey Leah Jones Quinn Logan Reid

Weddings

Sergio Giuseppe Scanga & Nadia Montoro Alexander Marcakis & Sayeh Davoudi Jason Purcell & Melissa Erin Hogan Nguyen-Khoa Ho & Laura Angela Sbarra Nigel Nirmal Supersad & Diana Liz Castroverde Shaw

In Memoriam

2014

Norma Beryl Cross (Redfern)
Harold Elrod 'Rod' Conyers

Florence Elizabeth Gauthier (Whitehead)
Rachel Thasyil Eappen (Mathew)
Sheila Craigie Woodsworth (Wallace)
Vassilikki 'Betty' Legault (Des Tounis)
Patricia Joan Tatto (Carbray)
John Francis 'Frank' Luce
Andrew Harry 'Andy' Wood
Ena Bucchan
Hugh Adams
Barbara Bisset

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Jean Esther Singer (Lloyd)

Shirley Pearson

Lillian Cameron

Sheila Norman

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<u>Section Two – Reports having a financial component or nature</u>

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