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Mean-while in old Montreal

By Mark Frost
Chronicle Editor

We'd been trying for more than a year to schedule a getaway with two friends. Finally in October we accomplished it — a weekend in Old Montreal. Now I have an opportunity to file this report.

An easy three-hour drive up the interstate, Montreal puts you in a foreign country with a European flair.

What most struck me this trip was the friendliness of everyone we encountered in the old city — in our hotel, in restaurants, in bars, around town. All were eager to please — and they segued seamlessly from French to English.

The great (flukily warm) October weather may have contributed to everyone's good mood, but Montreal is gracious by nature.

And by all indication it's booming. Major construction is everywhere, and a new Champlain

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Just 3 hours north, city is booming, welcoming, even hoping again for big-league baseball.

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Deep powder

The Christmas storm dropped another eight inches of snow, and West Mountain opened its Northwest slope on Tuesday.

West Mountain photo courtesy Spencer Montgomery

Rachel Seeber breaks silence

By Gordon Woodworth
Chronicle News Editor

Having refused all interviews for six weeks after her bruising election defeat to incumbent Democrat John Strough for Queensbury Town Supervisor, Republican Rachel Seeber agreed to sit down with *The Chronicle* just before Christmas.

The loss clearly still stings. "Sadly you get to the point where you trust very few people," Ms. Seeber said. "I think I was a

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Indoor water park in winter: Great Escape encourages local day users

By David Cederstrom
Chronicle Staff Writer

Waterslides, body surfing, white water rafting and tubing, as winter activities? They are at the Six Flags Great Escape Lodge's "White Water Bay" indoor waterpark on Route 9 in Queensbury. "It is open through-

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