

# The Beat Morning Crew Steps up to support MUHC Foundation's fight against breast cancer



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There is no question that The Beat 92.5 morning show got a real boost recently when the highly personable Lee Haberkorn joined Claudia Marques, Mark Bergman and Kim Kieran for the 5:30 am to 8:20 am gig on weekdays. Now the foursome are at the forefront of the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) Foundation Pink in the City Raise Craze by either dying their hair pink or shaving their heads, all to bring in funds to directly support lifesaving breast cancer research and care at the MUHC. This includes the Breast Clinic Wellness Program, which provides holistic care and empowers women to thrive after their treatment

October, of course, is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. On the morning of Oct. 30 the crew will be broadcasting live from the MUHC's Glen site. Folks can donate by visiting [muhcfoundation.com/thebeat](http://muhcfoundation.com/thebeat). La Vie en Rose will match donations dollar for dollar, up to \$25K through their Roses of Hope Foundation. Haberkorn says he wants to do his part

to find a cure so that his daughter, Scarlett and others can live in a world without breast cancer. Marques adds that one in every eight women will get a breast cancer diagnosis in their life and she is inspired by her friend Sarah, a survivor of breast cancer. Kieran adds that her grandmother, and some of her closest friends, are true warriors "and I think of them every time I get checked." Bergman, the quarterback of the show, thinks of his late mother – a wonderful woman I was proud to know – who lost her battle with the disease.

**SISCOE A WINNER:** The American Martial Arts Association recognized David Siscoe's TaeKwonDo excellence, which has been a rather decorated career. This includes an eighth Dan Black Belt (TaeKwonDo), a grand master with wins at The World Games and a member of the 1988 Canadian Olympic team. He has trained and coached eight national champions, four Olympians and two



Lee Haberkorn and his new hairdo.

world champions. This event took place in Charlotte, North Carolina. He was inducted with another Montrealer, Darrell Henegan. He happens to be the son of jazz great Raneé Lee. Siscoe operates a successful gymnasium at Carré Union on Decarie.

**FRONTIER LEAGUE UPDATE:** Last summer I was in the nation's capital where I saw the minor professional Frontier League Titans play at Ottawa Stadium. There are also teams in Quebec City and Trois-Rivières, but strangely not Montreal. While somebody should build a stadium here for that purpose, there are reports that a group wants to purchase a Frontier League franchise for \$1 million and place it in Mirabel. A 7,000-seat stadium is in the plans. Within 15 km of Mirabel, there are 1.3 million people to draw from. This all could happen by 2026. Stay tuned.

**COHEN CHATTER:** Dr. Pauline Boss,

Professor Emerita at the University of Minnesota, coined the term Ambiguous Loss, and will be the keynote speaker at the AMI-Quebec Annual Mental Health Forum (formerly the Low Beer Memorial Lecture) on Oct. 17 at the Oscar Peterson Hall. Info: [amiquebec.org/forum](http://amiquebec.org/forum) ...Will you be watching the upcoming season of *Top Chef Canada* on the Food Network? There are three Montreal competitors. See my blog and our Suburban On Air video platform for my interview. It begins airing Oct. 14... The Beaconsfield Artists Association will present a vernissage on Oct 18 for their special 40th Annual Exhibition at Centennial Hall where people can vote for their favorite artwork (Coup de Coeur). There will also be a finissage on Oct. 20. Organizers will raffle off a Lisa Kimberly Glickman painting to raise funds for the West Island Mission.. While staff insist it is not happening, I keep hearing rumours that the Orange Julep land on Décarie might be sold.

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or life threatening. The CAQ government argues that the law is exempt in emergency situations, however without effective communication a situation that may be urgent, yet unapparent, could be overlooked without a means of communication. Cutting the line between patients and healthcare professionals and/or professionals within the institution is dangerous.

The immediate reactions of elected officials at every level of government,

healthcare professionals and the general public generated a "revised" statement by Quebec's French Language Minister Jean-Francois Roberge in less than a month, but not a retraction.

While the threat of impact on the Anglophone community looms in "revision", the health authority has taken it upon itself to clarify their basic rights to be served in English.

*The Suburban* reached out to the CIUSSS-ODIM for comment. The authority's representatives did not respond by press time. ■

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