

The Wildwood Warbler

*The Official Newsletter of the
Wildwood Community
Association*

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WE ARE HIRING!

Come work with us at Wildwood Community Association!

The **Wildwood Community Association** is seeking a passionate and organized volunteer to fill the role of **Secretary** on our Executive Board. This is a unique opportunity to help shape the future of our neighborhood and contribute to the smooth functioning of our association.

About the Role:

As Secretary, you'll be responsible for organizing and maintaining our association's key records and documents. You will play a critical role in supporting the board through managing communications, preparing meeting agendas, taking minutes, and ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements.

What You'll Do:

- Prepare and submit board meeting agendas.
- Attend meetings and take minutes, ensuring all action items are recorded.
- Organize digital and physical records, including bylaws and policy documents.
- Assist in handling association correspondence and administrative duties.

Why You Should Join Us:

- Community Impact: Be part of decisions and projects that directly affect Wildwood.
- Skill Development: Build experience in leadership, governance, and community engagement.
- Connection: Work closely with a group of committed volunteers and engage with your neighbors.

Time Commitment:

This role requires attendance at monthly board meetings and an estimated 4-6 hours per month for meeting preparation and administrative tasks.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should send their questions and interest to president@mywildwood.ca

Other open positions include:

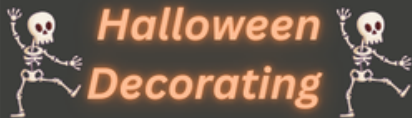
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- *Events Director
- *Artisan Market Committee
- *Yoga Coordinator
- *Learn to Skate Coordinator

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Here's a list of safe and easy ways to decorate your house for Halloween:

- Use LED lights to create a spooky atmosphere without the fire hazard of candles.
- Decorate your front porch with fake spider webs and plastic spiders to give a creepy vibe.
- Place battery-operated candles in windows for a warm glow without flames.
- Use window stickers or clings that are easy to apply and remove.
- Set up a Halloween-themed photo booth with props for family and friends.
- Create a spooky scene in your yard with inflatable decorations or tombstones.
- Use washable paint to create Halloween-themed designs on sidewalks or driveways.

● MARKET STATUS - WILDWOOD

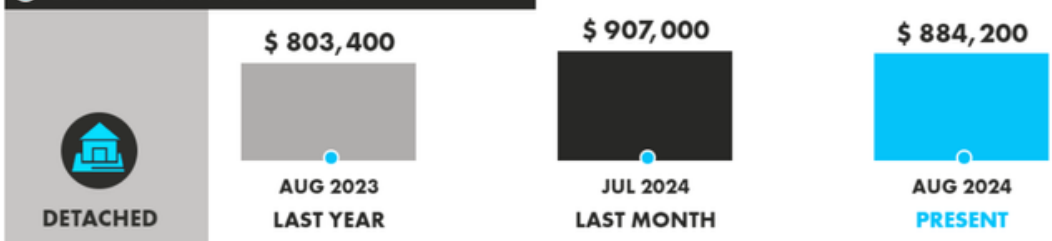
We are currently in a

BALANCED MARKET

As of August 2024, we had 5 listings.
2 listings were sold in August 2024.



● BENCHMARK SOLD PRICE



The benchmark price for detached homes in Wildwood has experienced a decline for the second consecutive month, dropping from its June peak of \$921,900 to \$884,200 in August. This decrease feels somewhat disproportionate, especially given that the market has mostly been balanced, occasionally tipping toward a seller's market over the past three months. However, this trend isn't unusual for the summer months, particularly in a neighbourhood like Wildwood, where turnover is traditionally low.

There's more to the story when it comes to the summer real estate market in Wildwood and the West District. For a detailed breakdown of the August numbers and my insights on what these changes mean for our community, visit www.WildwoodLife.ca or scan the QR code below to watch the full video update.



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Wildwood Community Association News

Wildwood Community Centre AM Kindergarten Programme

Open to AM Kindergarten students from Wildwood School and surrounding area schools



Held at the Wildwood Community Centre, this programme is led by certified teachers and maintains the same high standards as the Wildwood Playschool. Teachers pick up students from Wildwood School, while students from other schools must be dropped off by a guardian.

Schedule: Monday to Thursday from 11:22am to 5pm, following the CBE schedule.

Fee: \$475 per child per month.

Enrollment Contact: registration@wildwoodplayschool.ca or visit wildwoodplayschool.ca/registration for details.

Wildwood Community Association Board MEETINGS

Community engagement meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month (except Jul, Aug & Dec; no meetings).

Next meeting: **October 15**
7:00 p.m. at the Community Hall

Wildwood Warbler Newsletter ARTICLES & ADVERTISING

Do you have an article idea or photos that would be of interest to your neighbours? We would love to hear from you!

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The Market is Shifting. Let me help you navigate and negotiate to maximum success.

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Saturday, October 26th
9:15 AM to 3:30 PM

North Haven Community Association
5003 North Haven Dr, Calgary AB



WILDWOOD COMMUNITY HALL

Community Cafe

9:30-11:00 AM

EVERY MONDAY

STARTS SEPTEMBER 23RD

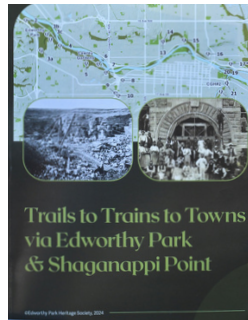
Community members of all ages are welcome!



Community Groups: Edworthy Park Heritage Society

Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Edworthy Park Heritage Society

The AGM of the Edworthy Park Heritage Society will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Because of the upsurge in covid cases, it will be held as a virtual meeting. If you wish to attend, please email the Society at eparkhs@gmail.com not later than midnight of Tuesday, October 15th and we will email you a link by midnight the day before the meeting.



The New Book

Another Book!

The 'Old Book'

In December of 2022, the Society published its award-winning history book entitled *Shaganappi Point & Edworthy Park: A New History*. This comprehensive look at the history of the Shaganappi escarpment is almost sold out. In order to answer some of the questions that arose about the Shaganappi Point sandstone quarries, considerable research was undertaken. Some of the research could not be included in that book. Only 15 copies of this book are still available, spread between the Owl's Nest Bookstore, Loughheed House Gift Store and Steeling Home gift store. (Phone to confirm availability).

The 'New Book'— *Trails to Trains to Towns via Edworthy Park and Shaganappi Point*

It seemed a pity to not publish the 'leftover' research. A draft article was distributed electronically to people attending the 2023 Historic Calgary Week talk sponsored by the Edworthy Park Heritage Society. Subsequently, the Society expanded that article and has just published a 100-page monograph which discusses the historical sandstone quarries along the Bow and Elbow Rivers. It contains a new map of the sandstone quarries. A previous map published by a different heritage group had several errors, including omitting the three Edworthy quarries. The revised new map is accompanied by an extensive legend about the quarries shown on the map. In addition, there is much new information about prominent builder and quarry operator John G. McCallum. We have obtained previously-unpublished photographs of McCallum who operated a quarry at Shaganappi Point to supply stone for the 1894 Calgary Post Office and Public Building and most likely the 1888 Calgary Courthouse.



Male Goldfinch in winter
©Edworthy Park Heritage Society,
February 20, 2020



Male Goldfinch in breeding
plumage, Bearspaw
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Goldfinches in Winter,
at left a female and at right a male

Because it is a very smaller printing, the Society, at this time, will not be consigning copies to local bookstores. Instead, the Society will directly sell the book for \$20 on a first come, first served basis. To reserve your copy, while quantities last, please send an email to eparkhs@gmail.com. Use the subject heading 'New Book'. We will confirm whether there is still availability. If so, you will then be asked to send \$20 by interac e transfer. We will inform you of the details for picking it up. There is a limit of one book per order. We greatly appreciate the support received by the Society from Wildwood residents and are offering the limited numbers of the new book to Wildwood residents first. Copies are being donated by the Society to selected public archives, university and public libraries.

Other News

A porcupine was seen ambling along a sidewalk in Wildwood. The same neighbour reported a bobcat in the vicinity, and, as well, a large stag. In the last Warbler, we mentioned that there was a sighting of a male American Goldfinch in its breeding plumage of bright yellow with black forehead and black wings with white markings. Goldfinches are drawn to weed seeds and sometimes visit bird feeders, especially enjoying Nyjer seed. We include three photos here: one taken at Bearspaw of a mature male in breeding plumage; the other of a pair of Goldfinches, in non-breeding plumage, crossing a neighbours' driveway in the depths of winter in Wildwood.

We hope you have an enjoyable autumn both walking around Wildwood and in the park.

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Community Churches



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Everyone is welcome at our Sunday Services!

8:00 am

***Book of Common Prayer
Holy Communion***

A traditional Anglican Eucharist following the form in the Book of Common Prayer.

10:00 am

Contemporary Eucharist

A service of song, readings, and prayer with the sharing of the bread and wine of the Eucharist.

Wassail Night

Saturday, November 30 @ 6:00pm

Come on out for a fun and fabulous night filled with good ol' fashioned Christmas Carols, goodies and of course, Wassail! We'll be singing songs all night long - the pianist even takes requests! Bring your friends, family and anyone else interested in attending. We'll also have a variety of Christmas Baskets for sale - keep an eye on our website for more details!

Find us on Facebook!

Did you know we have a Facebook page? Simply search for "Church of the Good Shepherd" and you will find us! Our Facebook page features links to Rev Derwyn's weekly sermons, information on upcoming events and other resources.

Parish Priest: Reverend Derwyn Costinak

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WILDWOOD SHINNY

Season Runs Jan.7 to Mar.6, 2025

This program is a parented (non drop-off), non-competitive, non-contact alternative hockey program for all school aged girls and boys, at the Wildwood Community Outdoor Rink!

The format consists of skill building, playing games, and having lots of friends with friends!



COST: \$65 (jersey required) or \$40 (no jersey required)

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Coordinator: **Tanis Gatzke** at shinny@mywildwood.ca



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MARKET UPDATE

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