



# CONSERVATION, CONVERSATION, AND OPPORTUNITY

Join Us this Summer in Whispering Woods and the Centennial Natureground!

## WHO = YOU!

You are heartily encouraged to join the fun and festive Community Conservation Bees in Brentwood Heights. The Friends of Dr. E.W. Coffin Society will again be hosting regular conservation bees throughout the growing season in Whispering Woods and the Centennial Natureground, caring for our native and reclaimed rough fescue prairie spaces right here in our shared community.

- Bring your families; Bring your friends!
- Make an outing of the occasion and enjoy the full opportunities provided by the area's recreation, gardening, and gathering spaces.
- Play. Socialize. Learn. Help. No experience required.
- Strengthen and Sustain your school and community through conversation, collaboration, and celebration.

Check out [www.natureground.org](http://www.natureground.org), and click on the Join us for Gardening Bees! link at the upper right, or the Neighbours as Stewards link on the left sidebar, and/or keep reading below. Please join us, whether for a few minutes or a few hours, during any or all of the following 11 events during July and August.

Stewardship first is encouraged, but don't let that stop you from coming to the Potlucks!

## WHEN:

- Eight Wednesday Evenings, 6:00-8:00 p.m. July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24. Refreshments!
- Two Weekend Mornings, 9:00-11:00 a.m. July 10 & August 13. Potlucks!
- One Tuesday Evening, 6:00-8:00 p.m. August 30. Potluck!

## SPECIAL GATHERINGS:

- **Wednesday, July 6.** Welcoming potluck snacks, treats, wine & cheese at 8:00
- **Sunday, July 10.** Potluck brunch at 11:00
- **Saturday, August 13.** Potluck brunch at 11:00

- Tuesday, August 30. WINDUP POTLUCK SNACKS, TREATS, WINE & CHEESE at 8:00

## WHERE:

Meet at the Prairie Amphitheatre in Whispering Woods, just off Brenner Drive NW, or in the adjacent Centennial Natureground on the west side of Dr. Coffin School, at 5615 Barrett Drive NW. Dress for the weather, and for gardening! Although there will be some gloves and hand tools available to share, it would be helpful if you brought your own. We will be working in both Whispering Woods and the Centennial Natureground. Arrive and assist as you're willing and able, and please BYO H<sub>2</sub>O.

## YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES:

Rack up your service hours and community volunteerism. Be mentored in prairie stewardship issues.

If you are in youth programs such as the Guides, Scouts, Duke of Edinburgh Young Canadians Challenge, Youth Volunteer Corps, and other situations where you need or want to volunteer your time, then you are encouraged to join in. Participation Certificates provided.

To be notified about the schedule, to learn more about native plants, weeds, and grassland conservation, and to keep up with impromptu gatherings, please sign up for our listserve, as below. We welcome you to the growing circle of Neighbours as Stewards of our local spaces.

*Environmentally yours,*

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