WINDSOR PARK *** COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Quarterly Newsletter – Summer 2022 Edition

Windsor Park Community League Membership Application					
Membership Type:FamilySingleStudent	SeniorAssociate				
Adult 1: Adult 2:					
Children/Dependents:	Age:				
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Address:					
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Interested in receiving WPCL email/e-News updates:YesNo					
Volunteer interest (optional): Role, Idea:					

Types of Membership:

Family (household of any number)	\$25/year			
Single	\$15/year			
Student (18yrs+)	\$10/year			
Senior (65yrs+)	\$0 (or donation, if desired)			
Associate Business	\$30/year			
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WINDSOR PARK COMMUNITY LEAGUE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

WPCL President Scott Meadows

New Development on 118 Street: By now most Windsor Park neighbours have heard that a new six-story, 171-unit multifamily residential development has been proposed on 118 Street across from Windsor Park School. Westrich Pacific Corporation has acquired the seven residential properties north of the Windsor Terrace construction site to build the development. A rezoning would be required and a proposal will come before City Council, likely sometime in 2023.

A committee of concerned WP residents has been formed to respond to the proposal. To participate, email Joe Miller at WPCitizens@outlook.com. The community league is engaged on this issue and will update WP neighbours via eNews, quarterly newsletter, the pylon sign on 87 Ave and Nextdoor social media.

Council has been very accommodating to new projects like these despite neighbourhood opposition. Issues with parking, traffic, noise, shadows and neighbourhood character have had little impact on past Council decisions; for the current proposal, the site choice appears to violate the current infill policy. Concerns for the safe movement of children, particularly in winter when the street is partially blocked by windrows, might also be considered. To maximize effectiveness before Council, please considering framing your concerns with a consideration of the current City infill policy, found at this URL:

https://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/urban_planning_and_design/residential-infill-guidelines

<u>Volunteer Needs</u>: Volunteer leadership is needed to maintain existing league programming. There is a critical need for a social events chair. It would also be possible to chair just one event like the annual BBQ and picnic. The Country Fair event of 2019 was a great success, but needs someone to coordinate. The league also needs a webmaster and a communications chair who can manage eNews. As we face even more development issues in Windsor Park, effective communications become ever more important. Please consider offering you talents to your neighbours in Windsor Park.

Abundant Communities: Neighbourhood Connector Penny Tucker will be moving to Belgravia in August and will be leaving her position. Penny's leadership has been remarkable as she assembled a strong team of Block Connectors, created new events and supported emerging needs in Windsor Park. During the worst days of the Covid crisis, Penny and Block Connectors served an important stabilizing role in identifying and meeting emerging needs. She will be greatly missed. We are in need of a new Neighbourhood Connector to pick up where she leaves off. The new Neighbourhood Connector will benefit from a strong team of Block Connectors and support from the City of Edmonton's Abundant Communities staff. Please contact me or Penny (life.dance@telus.net) if you're interested in this key role.

<u>WPCL Elections</u>: The community league will hold elections at its annual general meeting in October. Positions on the Executive include President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Member-at-Large. I will not be returning as President; we must find someone with new energy to lead WPCL. Interested people may contact me or any member of the Executive. Position descriptions are available. There are always important issues facing our neighbourhood including the proposal to build a large multifamily development across from WP School. Please consider sharing your talents and expertise with your neighbours as a member of the WPCL Executive.

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Note: If you are new to the community, or know of any new Windsor Park residents, please contact wpclpresident@gmail.com, so we can extend a community welcome!

AN EYE ON CITY HALL, BY ELAINE SOLEZ, WPCL CIVICS DIRECTOR

Historic Walk July 9: Early Homes and People--Windsor Park and the University of Alberta Ring Houses

Windsor Park resident and professor emerita Lorene Everett Turner, with help from others in Bonnie Austen's Urban Poling Group, organized a Jane's Walk on May 7 about the early development of the Windsor Park neighbourhood and the university.

The walk will be repeated on Saturday afternoon, July 9, from 2:00-3:30 pm as part of the History Festival organized by the Edmonton and District Historical Society. The walk starts at the University Club parking lot.

Three houses in Windsor Park built between 1900 and 1924 are featured on the walk as well as the four remaining Ring Houses on campus. The Ring Houses are slated for deconstruction and storage/relocation later this year. The walk focuses on some of the interesting and important residents of the homes on the tour as well as some of the programs and offices that were housed in the Ring Houses once they were no longer used as residences.

Park Planning News--Windsor Park and Rollie Miles District Park by Elaine Solez, North Park Enhancement Committee and Friends of Scona Rec

North Park

The North Park Enhancement project includes a number of key elements: rebuilding the retaining wall and steps into the sunken garden, a path into the sunken garden, creating a labyrinth in the spot at the north end of the sunken garden originally intended for a fountain, as well as decorative trash cans and bollards.

The North Park Enhancement Committee reviewed the results of the survey on proposed changes to the park plan and has made the following revisions:

- Relocated the path into the sunken garden from the northwest to the northeast
- Removed fitness stations as inconsistent with the park's heritage status as a "pure" park
- Added heritage signposts at each entrance

- Added electrical outlets at the top of the steps to facilitate events like concerts in the park
- Selected planting a new colourful climbing tree from the options proposed for the bare spot left when the sideways Ponderosa Pine blew over last year.

New Climbing Tree: The North Park Enhancement Committee worked with the City's Urban Forestry staff to select a suitable species of tree. We wanted a tree that little kids could climb and would add colour to the park. Urban Forestry recommended an Amur Maple or a Little Leaf Linden. Committee members considered the characteristics of each and selected the Amur Maple because it has lower branches for the daycare kids. This tree is likely to be planted in 2023.

Meantime where there's a will there's a way. The daycare kids have been spotted climbing in the Mugo Pine on the west side of the park. We also determined that the Little Leaf Linden would be a good species to plant to replace the Maydays, which are infected with Black Knot Fungus.

Status of the North Park Enhancement Project: The community league approved the Business Case, Terms of Reference and Engagement Plan for the project. These documents along with letters of support and the results of various engagement activities over the years were submitted to the City in early May. If approved, the City will assign a project manager and a landscape architect and the project will move to the concept stage.

Historic status of the park: The park was added to the City's Inventory of Historic Resources in 2020. The next step is Historic Designation. This is being pursued in parallel with the park enhancement project.

Spray Pad

Neighbourhood residents have been asking "What's happening with the plans for a spray pad near the playground?" and "When will the spray pad be built?"

The first question is easier to answer than the second. While most of the funding is in place, we're continuing to apply for grants to assemble the full amount needed to proceed with the project. We don't know when all the funds will be in hand. The spray pad won't be built during the 2022 construction season, though. Fingers crossed for next year.

New Recreation Centre and Park Improvements at Rollie Miles District Park

Rollie Miles District Park near Strathcona High School is the district park in our part of the City. On May 17, 2022, City Council approved adding the new rec centre at Rollie Miles District Park to the City's next 4-year capital budget. Discussion about providing construction funding for the rec centre will take place during City Council's budget deliberations in late fall.

City Council approved design funding for the rec centre in June 2021. The design work is underway on the building that will house a new pool to replace the 65-year old Scona Pool, a gym, fitness area and multi-purpose room. It will be located off Calgary Trail just

north of 70th Ave and have a compact footprint to preserve as much green space in the park as possible.

Parkland enhancements are also planned for Rollie Miles District Park, including outdoor basketball courts, a small dog park, improved walkways through and within the park, a designated dropoff area for high school students, as well as seating and gathering areas in various locations throughout the park. These enhancements also will be included in the capital budget for discussion in the fall.

PLANNING MATTERS BY ELAINE SOLEZ, WPCL CIVICS DIRECTOR

Proposed Multifamily Development on 118 Street NW

City Planning Context for the Westrich Proposal:

The community league and neighbours recently received notice of pre-application consultation on rezoning several properties on 118th St across from the school from RF1 to DC2. As indicated in previous newsletters we've been expecting a rezoning proposal to develop an apartment building in that location.

You may be wondering why there would be a significant upzoning on a residential street in Windsor Park. City policies guided the rezoning and development of the apartment buildings we see on 87th Ave. The same is happening here. City policies have recently changed and continue to be refined. The City Plan was approved by City Council in late 2020. It calls for increasing density in the redeveloping area of Edmonton--that's any neighbourhood inside the Henday. In particular, higher density development is encouraged in employment nodes and along corridors (arterial roads). The aim of increasing density in core communities is to reduce urban sprawl and greenhouse gas emissions and to optimize the use of existing infrastructure.

Windsor Park is located in a major node--the university area. According to City planning documents, major nodes are about 2km across in any direction. It's 2km from Saskatchewan Drive and 87th Ave to 109th St in Garneau. And it's 2km from Saskatchewan Drive and 116th St to 76th Ave and 115th St in Belgravia.

Site Planning Context for the Westrich Proposal:

You also may be wondering how a 6-storey building can fit in beside single-family homes. According to City planning documents (the draft District General Policy), higher density projects are expected to integrate well with existing development through transitioning the height and using various design elements to reduce massing. When recently asked what this would look like for a 6-storey building beside single-family homes, the senior planner leading the work on district plans indicated lowering the height to 4 storeys and increasing the setbacks where it would abut a single family property would be appropriate, as would variation in setbacks around the building.

The developer is aware of the City expectation that higher-density buildings fit in with existing development. For the Westrich project, the building is 6-storeys where it's closest

to Windsor Terrace and steps down to 5 storeys then to 4 storeys where it's next to a single-family home. It also has a wide setback from that single-family home. There is a courtyard at the front of the building and articulation all around that's intended to break up the massing.

The Rezoning Process:

There are 3 main phases of the rezoning process. Each phase includes an opportunity for residents and the community league to provide input. We're currently in the first phase--pre-application. The developer is seeking comments on the rezoning proposal by July 8. Residents are encouraged to email comments to marcelo@greenspacealliance.com. The comments will be summarized in the rezoning application. The other phases include Application Review by the City and the Public Hearing before City Council. The community league intends to keep community residents informed as this proposal makes its way through the various phases.

At this stage in the process, the community league intends to continue to work with the developer to try to further minimize the impact of the development on neighbours and the neighbourhood if it is approved by City Council. Points of discussion include such elements as number of units overall, number of family-oriented and ground-oriented units, setbacks, height, and location of the parkade entrance.

District Plans & Zoning Bylaw Renewal

You may have noticed a 2-page insert in your property tax notice. It provides general information on these major City projects that will affect development in every neighbourhood.

District Plans

District Plans are intended to guide growth in Edmonton from a population of one million to 1.25 million. The Scona District, which includes Windsor Park, encompasses the area from the river south to the Whitemud Freeway and from the river and Whitemud Ravine on the west to Mill Creek Ravine on the east, had a population of about 60,000 in 2019 and is expected to grow to about 73,000 by the time the city reaches an overall population of 1.25 million. This population growth assumption is being applied in drafting the Scona District Plan.

Some in person and online engagement opportunities are being planned to take place in the summer on the District General Policy--the overall approach being used to guide the district planning process. The schedule will be posted on the City's District Planning website when it's available. You can subscribe to receive notices about District Planning at districtplanning@edmonton.ca.

Recent information posted on the City's District Planning webpage indicates the draft district plans, including the district plan for the Scona District, will be posted for public review and comment in August 2022. The input deadline will be in October 2022.

The plan will direct higher density development to major and minor nodes in the district and along primary and secondary corridors. Windsor Park is adjacent to a major node--the University of Alberta and hospitals. Secondary corridors run at the edge and through our neighbourhood (87th Ave and University Ave & Sask Drive south of 87th Ave).

Zoning Bylaw Renewal

The Zoning Bylaw Renewal project originally proposed combining a number of low-density housing forms such as single family homes, duplex and row housing and small (3-storey) apartment buildings into a single zone. Based on infrastructure capacity, two low-density zones are now being proposed--the original (RS2) for the infill/redeveloping area of the city (communities inside the Henday, including Windsor Park), the other (RS1) for newer neighbourhoods outside the Henday. RS1 would exclude rowhousing and small scale apartment buildings.

Similarly the original proposal suggested combining all commercial zones into one new commercial zone. This has been determined to be impractical. A smaller scale commercial zone is now proposed for neighbourhoods and along corridors. A more auto-oriented larger scale commercial zone is proposed for large commercial sites along major arterial roads.

Engagement on the draft Zoning Bylaw is expected to start in September 2022, with a feedback deadline in November 2022. You can subscribe to receive notices about Zoning Bylaw Renewal at zoningbylawrenewal@edmonton.ca.

Windsor Park Pole Walking

You may notice Windsor Park residents walking about using poles. Walking is great exercise but using poles engages more of the upper body. It has been stated that walking with poles uses up to 80% of the body's muscles.

The Windsor Park Pole Walking group is now in its third year. The group has been walking in the warm months, May-September. However, this year with Covid-19 in our midst, the group has kept walking into the winter season.

There have been some adjustments. Rather than walking in the evenings, the group has moved to walking in the afternoons (Monday and Thursdays). With the arrival of ice and snow, attention is paid to footwear and clothing choices. The group is also drifting farther afield. Rather than just walking in Windsor Park, the group is exploring the river valley and other neighourhoods. Most of the walkers now use masks. Social distancing is encouraged. Recent restrictions of no more than ten in a group outside will have the walkers dividing into smaller groups.

Spending more time out of doors this winter seems to be the norm. It is more Covid friendly but also the benefits of being in the sun have been noted. The Windsor Park Pole Walkers are benefiting by being physically active and also socially engaged.

For more information on the Windsor Park Pole Walking group, contact me.

Bonnie M Austen (bonniemausten@gmail.com)

I have been happy to bring items from my store to Windsor Park neighbours. I can put together a curated selection or accommodat specific requests. I usually bring the items with a receipt with subsequent payment by e-transfer, but I can also call you from the store for a credit card number which is not retained by the store. Cash works too. It's best to work via email, but phone calls are also fine. Contact me if this service would be helpful to you.



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Windsor Park is Coming into Bloom!

Windsor Park, affectionately nicknamed The Flower Park and The Secret Garden, was designed to be a "pure" or "ornamental" park, and as such its purpose is to "attract people by its very beauty" (Edmonton Journal, August 2, 1950). Throughout the spring and summer months, keep an eye out for Windsor Park's beautiful and fragrant displays of flowering trees, shrubs, roses, perennials, and groundcover.

Windsor Park, a four-acre historic landscape, was designed and planted between 1954 and 1956, a fortunate and inspired collaboration between Edmonton City Architect Robert Falconer Duke, Parks Superintendent Sandy Patterson, and Landscape Architect Bogdan Jablonski.

Bogdan Jablonski was originally responsible for Windsor Park's stunning blooms, and an article entitled "Parks Officials Give Advice on Selecting Best Flowers" that appeared in the Edmonton Journal on July 24, 1958, captures some of Bogdan's floral philosophy:

Best way to have a good garden? Bogdan Jablonski, city landscape architect, says that "loving flowers is the most important thing. If you do that you will find out what is good for them and what they need."

If you follow the practices of the parks department, you will plant only flowers that have a long season bloom and are resistant to drought, winds, and diseases. In addition, city horticulturists use only those flowers that have a high intensity color. Favorites of the landscapers are snapdragons, stocks, annual phlox, marigolds, pansies, geraniums, and petunias. These are all annuals which die at first frost. For this reason, perennial flowers are being introduced . . . Main varieties of perennials used are peonies, bleeding hearts, and delphiniums. Day lilies, which bloom even when mostly in the shade and thrive on moist ground, are particularly liked. In

landscaping more than 60 parks for which they are responsible the planners try to ensure that the layout is not only pleasing but fits into the purpose for which the parks were made. Horticulturists at the city's nurseries are experimenting with seeds obtained from the world-famous Kew Gardens in England. They are also trying to raise their own shrubs instead of buying them as before.

Some of the flowering trees and shrubs Bogdan selected 65 years ago are still blooming in Windsor Park today. Watch for them! As spring arrives, his venerable old crab apples and Mayday trees are covered with clouds of ethereal white blossoms. So are the ornamental shrubs: Mock Orange, and snowy Garland Spirea, set off by the delicate, rosy blooms on the Russian Almonds and old-fashioned honeysuckle, much appreciated by butterflies!

Lois Hole once wrote, "the alluring fragrance of lilacs invites me out into the garden." Our wonderful collection of heritage lilacs (more than 100 of them!), also selected and sited by Bogdan in the 1950s, and planted by his crew, encircle, and embellish the Sunken Garden, blooming profusely. In addition to Common Lilacs (single, and double blossoms in all shades of white, lavender, magenta, pink, purple, and blue), you'll find Japanese Tree Lilacs and old Preston Lilacs tucked away throughout the park, sweetly scenting the air.

Most Preston Lilacs are late blooming, some two weeks after the Common Lilacs. They were first raised in the 1920s by Isabella Preston at the Central Experimental Farm in Ottawa. Isabella was responsible for naming at least 71 selections from her initial crosses, and most of her selections were named in honour of Shakespearian women! The resulting progeny of Isabella's crosses came to be known as the "Preston" or "Canadian" lilacs.

Following Bogdan's lead, a few years ago, the City of Edmonton planted several young Thunderchild crab-apple trees in Windsor Park. "Opening from rose flower buds, masses of fragrant, dark pink flowers appear in mid-spring, before the leaves. Draped in clusters along the branches, they are truly a sight to behold."

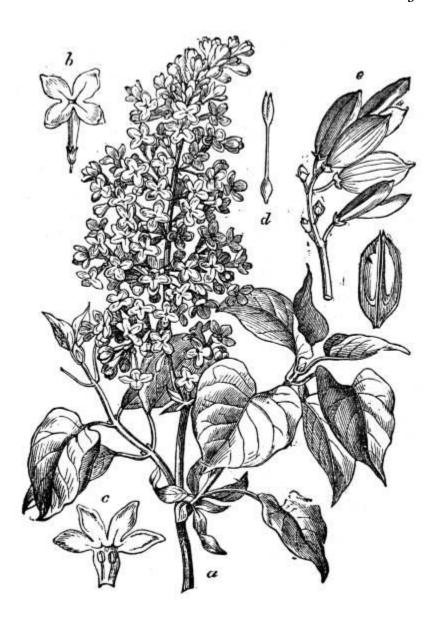
New to our park this year were drifts of tiny, lapis blue scilla (Siberian Squill), the first flowers to emerge in May, followed by Early Gold and Orange Monarch Snow Crocuses, Snowdrops, and petite wildflower Botanical Tulips – Dasystemon Tarda (yellow with white centres) and Puchella Eastern Star (vivid fuchsia with gold centres) – their bulbs tucked gently into the garden beds in September 2021 by Windsor Park's Partners in Parks (PIP) volunteers.

Peonies like Monsieur Jules Elie, a showpiece Windsor Park heritage variety with elegantly ruffled rose pink petals, bloom in midsummer, along with orange Tiger daylilies, delicate wild Woods and Nootka roses, and dainty Red Leaf roses. Hardy old rugosa roses include Roseraie de L'Hay (intense magenta) and our Blanc de Coubert roses, whose perfumed linen-white double blossoms linger through early September, framing the steps to the Sunken Garden.

The blooms in Windsor Park are a delight, and their nectar is much appreciated by bees and other pollinators.

Thanks to the ongoing support of the Windsor Park Community League, Windsor Park's PIP volunteers are working hard this season to amplify the blooms that ornament and beautify our rare and lovely park. PIP's planting plan for 2022 (vetted and approved by the City of Edmonton's Heritage Planner and the Partners in Parks Program) includes drought tolerant flowering shrubs like Goldfinger Potentilla and native Bearberry (or Kinnikinnick): look for small, pinkish urn shaped flowers, drooping from the branch tips and buzzing with happy bumble bees. In pockets of colourful, drought tolerant native and introduced perennials, you'll find Early Blue Violets, Coral Bells "Black Forest Cake" (smooth, dark chocolatey foliage topped with bright cherry-red flowers), Coral Bells "Purple Palace" (brilliant deep purple foliage topped with delightful sprays of tiny, white, summer flowers), "Red Starburst" Blanket Flowers (Gaillardia - Alberta's own cheerful Prairie Marigolds), and Sedum Autumn Joy.

Patsy Leake (May 28, 2022)



Al-Anon Advertisement

What can you do when someone close to you drinks too much? You might be surprised at what you can learn at an Al-Anon meeting

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Soccer Season Recap



The ball is in the back of the net. Daniel collects it and throws it forward to midfield. Five young men stand around with heads hanging. Fatigue is almost suffocating at the end of the third game in less than 24 hours and a spark of energy nowhere to be found. A look at the scoreboard shows Camrose 4 – Windsor Park 3 and less than five minutes to play. The raucous supporters of Camrose are supplemented by Team Heritage Point who have joined the stands and are cheering for Camrose as loud as possible. Looking at my young men on the bench takes me to...

... the beginning of what would likely be the last season for this incredible group of young men. 5-year-olds were now all turning 18 and had traveled such an incredible journey together. Would there be a final season for Team Windsor Park or would COVID take away the final two years they could have played and have succeeded together? There were talks of combining U17 and U19 to create a league and we were hopeful. Then the news came through that there were only four U19 teams but that these four teams would still play a season which was to end in City Finals and Provincials. We were ecstatic! One more run at winning this elusive title of City Champion, that we had never won before. One more run at winning a second Provincial Championship. Our team was no longer the team that won Provincials at the end of U15. We lost players due to other interests and of course we had to do without Chris Meyer, who was and is successfully battling serious illness. But we gained Kaz Cooke and Zac Duff after our first season of U17 and at the beginning of COVID and this season Arian Gill, Harman Parhar, Beck Blashill, and Arif Shoush to join the existing cadre. Two of our opponents were known to us. Camrose Vikings were a formidable opponent who we had shared epic battles against in our U17 season and Heritage Point we had played in outdoors just this previous summer. Sherwood Park was an unknown, but the assumption was that any team left at U19 was a pool of players who had never lost interest in soccer. In our case the core who had played together for years, in case of the others likely a select team of the best players left. The start of the season was different and yet also the same. The same, in that we won our first three matches beating every one of the other teams. Different, in that soccer was no longer top priority for some on the team. We had three first-year University students, two working jobs, and all others were in Grade 12. We had players coming off serious injuries taken in the outdoor season and limiting them for what was to be the entire indoor season. The same, in that we still had the same coaches and the same participation among almost the entire team. Different in that parents watching games of their now grown children in times of COVID had become a rarity. In round 2 of the games, it became apparent that Sherwood Park was not of the same calibre as the other three teams, and they ended up losing every game of the season. Biggest respect though, since the team never folded and played all the way through to the last game of the season. Our first big setback happened in the second game against Heritage Point. They gave us a beating we had not had in a long time and literally ran us out of the arena with a 4-0 defeat. We also could only tie Camrose in the second game and suddenly things did not look that rosy anymore. But our team rallied. The next game against Heritage Point became a statement in the other direction and we won 6-0. But more and more Camrose looked like the team to beat. A team filled with talented and elite players without discernable weakness, excellently coached and playing an unreal tactical game. We tied them the next two games we played, all the while the momentum shifting towards them. In the fourth of five season games we played, they handed us the worst defeat in our own history. 8-0 and it was no closer than that. In the meantime, Provincials had been cancelled for our age group and we only had City Finals to look forward to. Still a most worthy goal, since this was the only title, our team had never won. We knew we had to come out and play better in the final season game against Camrose to gain even a modicum of hope for City Finals – which we did. But at the end of an extremely hard-fought game stood a 3-2 defeat.

We started City Finals as the #2 seed, and it ultimately wasn't too bad since it meant we'd play Camrose as the final game. We won our first game against Sherwood Park as expected. But in the other game the unexpected happened. Heritage Point beat Camrose. So, Saturday evening Heritage Point could have clinched the City Championship by beating us. Our team was up to the challenge though and we won. But even sitting on two victories and the better goal differential versus our two competitors sadly did not mean much at all going into Sunday if we didn't find a way to at least tie Camrose. Team Windsor Park came out on fire though. We took a 1-0 lead, then a 2-0, then a 3-0. It looked like we would blow Camrose out and happily collect our Gold Medal. But then complacency on our end and the heart of a champion on theirs turned things right before halftime. In the span of 35 seconds, Camrose scored two goals and went into the break in striking distance. Nerves were growing to be a tougher opponent than we would have ever liked. Midway through the second half, Camrose equalized. Then five minutes before the end, the unthinkable. Camrose took the lead and all the momentum. Our top line had been on about twice as much as we would have wanted, and our second line was just

collecting the ball and bringing it up to midfield for kickoff. Heads on the bench were drooping and there were empty gazes where just twenty minutes earlier there had been merriment and laughter. We coaches had tried everything and had no more ace left to play. We needed a miracle - or a hero. And boy did we get one. From the kickoff Kaz took the ball on his foot and his heart into his hands. He went past the first player, then the second picking up speed. Before anyone realized what was happening, he had gone past the third player and cut in sharply with only the goalie ahead. A shot, a prayer – and the ball was in the back of the net. Where there had been cheering and jeering just moments before there was now only silence. And dejection and hopelessness on our bench were washed away instantly. Backbones intact once more, our team played down the remaining minutes and was awarded shortly after with the one medal never won. The Gold Medal of EMSA, City Champions. An award for a collective of teammates and friends that they will forever carry with them. The tiny community of Windsor Park produced a team that not only played from beginning to end of the minor soccer league but won everything there was to win. Victories over opponents on the field, victories as individuals willing to give everything they had for the collective. Boys became men and shaped the lives of all who went on the journey with them. In the words of the immortal d'Artagnan and the Three Musketeers: All for one and one for all.

The journey together ends for some and continues for others. Sinan, Deniz, Zac, Kaz, Joel, Nathan, Arian, Markus, and Shawn have joined the EDSA team The Lads, which is also being coached by Gary Kerr and myself.

My gratitude for 13 years of having been part of the lives of this group of wonderful young men is beyond words. The Provincial trophy standing in my shelf will always remind me of how a tiny community was able to defy expectations by creating a team, the whole of which was much more than the sum of the individual parts.

Thank you, Windsor Park, for supporting us always. Without you, we would not have achieved what we did.

Team Windsor Park (Ozelsel) signing off.

Goalie: Daniel Meadows

Forwards: Deniz Ozelsel

Defense: Joel Thompson Markus Stromberg

Nathan Footz
Arian Gill
Rhys Liyanage
Sam Olmsted
Bach Nguyen
Wax Eggert
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Beck Blashill
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Getting Started:

- 1. Contact us with an interested senior.
- 2. We will pair every senior with up to 2 volunteers who live within the same area code.
- 3. Whenever the senior client needs their lawn cleared or other outdoor tasks done, they'll call their assigned volunteer(s) and set up a time & date.



Spring Keepers Program

Spring Keepers is our club fundraiser for Unicef
Canada! Many seniors find it difficult to maintain their outdoor space during the spring, so Campus Unicef has gathered some volunteers to tackle this problem!

Since we are a volunteerdriven nonprofit organization, there is no contract or waiver needed to be signed between volunteer and senior client. This makes it even easier to get started!



Contact Us

Questions or interested?

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Learn more about our club:



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Unicef on Campus -University of Alberta



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