

WILDWOOD HISTORIC COMMUNITIES & POINTS OF INTEREST SUMMARY

2014 List: Introduction of the Historic Communities & the Historic Marker Program

- Centaur
- Fox Creek
- Glencoe
- Grover
- Hollow
- Kelpe
- Melrose
- Monarch
- Orrville
- Pond
- Westland Acres

2015 List of POI:

1. Babler State Park
2. Big Chief Roadhouse
3. Community Park
4. Equine Assisted Therapy [E.A.T.]
5. Greensfelder Co. Park
6. Hidden Valley Ski
7. LaSalle Institute
8. Metro West FPD HQ
9. Rockwoods Range
10. Rockwoods Reservation
11. Stovall's Grove
12. Walbash, Frisco, & Pacific RR
13. Wildwood Historical Society
14. The Wyman Center/Camp Wyman

Original 2016 List of POI:

- a. Marianist Retreat
- b. Bluffview Park
- c. Elementary Schools: Fairway, Green Pines, Babler, and Pond
- d. Middle Schools: Wildwood, Rockwood Valley, LaSalle Springs
- e. Lafayette High School
- f. Old Pond School & Park – Rt. 66
- g. St. Louis Community College
- h. YMCA
- i. Pond Athletic Association
- j. Anniversary Park
- k. Glencoe City Park
- l. Al Foster Memorial Trail
- m. Rock Hollow Trail [Zombie Road]
- n. Bethel Rock Church
- o. Bethel Church – Rt. 66
- p. City Hall [16962 Manchester (now Imogene's); 183 Plaza; 16860 Main Street] - Rt. 66

[POI's removed from list]

Revised 2016 List of POI:

- 15) Al Foster Memorial Trail
- 16) Anniversary Park
- 17) Bethel Church – on Route 66! [Rock Bethel Church, removed, to be highlighted next year]
- 18) Bluff View Park & Trail
- 19) Glencoe City Park
- 20) Marianist Retreat Center
- 21) Old Pond School & Park – on Route 66!
- 22) Pond Athletic Association
- 23) Rock Hollow Trail
- 24) Wildwood Municipal Building
- 25) Wildwood's Original City Hall – Imogene's Tea Room – on Route 66!

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2017 List of POI [10-15?]:

26) Elementary Schools:

- a. Fairway
- b. Green Pines
- c. Babler
- d. Pond

27) Middle Schools:

- a. Wildwood
- b. Rockwood Valley
- c. LaSalle Springs

28) Lafayette Senior High School

29) St. Louis Community College

30) YMCA

31) Bethel Rock Church [*original location established in 1858; congregation then moved into Franklin Co. prior to Civil War, & the surviving church building was dedicated in 1875 ...*]

32) _____

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35) _____

ROCKWOOD R-6 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S WILDWOOD AREA ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

SOURCE: <http://www.rsdmo.org>

- **BABLER** - Serves 563 students, with a 17:1 student/teacher ratio. This National School of Character is located at **1955 Shepard Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 733-1175**, on more than 16 acres. <http://www.rsdmo.org/babler>
- **FAIRWAY** - Serves 485 students, with a 16:1 student/teacher ratio, and Wildwood's newest school, which was built in 2004. It is located at **480 Old Fairway Drive, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 733-4175**, on 17 acres. <http://www.rsdmo.org/fairway>
- **GREEN PINES** - Serves 398 students, with a 17:1 student/teacher ratio. This Blue Ribbon School of Excellence is located at **16543 Green Pines Drive, Wildwood, MO 63011, #: (636) 733-4150**, on approximately 12 acres. <http://www.rsdmo.org/greenpines>
- **POND** - Serves 352 students, with a 15:1 student/teacher ratio. This Blue Ribbon School of Excellence is located at **17146 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 733-3225**, on approximately 16 acres. <http://www.rsdmo.org/pond>

ROCKWOOD R-6 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S WILDWOOD AREA MIDDLE SCHOOLS:

- **ROCKWOOD VALLEY** - Serves 720 students, with a 15:1 student/teacher ratio. This school is both a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and a Missouri Gold Star School, located at **1220 Babler Park Drive, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 733-4270**, and situated on more than 68 acres! <http://www.rsdmo.org/rvalley>
- **LASALLE SPRINGS** - Serves 899 students, with a 17:1 student/teacher ratio. Listed as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, it is located at **3300 Highway 109, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 733-4200**, on approximately 28 acres. <http://www.rsdmo.org/lasalle>
- **WILDWOOD** - Serves 701 students, with a 16:1 student/teacher ratio. Rated as a Top Performing Middle School, it is situated upon 30 acres located at **17401 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 733-4230**. <http://www.rsdmo.org/wildwood>

ROCKWOOD R-6 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S WILDWOOD AREA HIGH SCHOOL

- **LAFAYETTE** - Serves 1,924 students, with an 18:1 student/teacher ratio. Listed as a Top Ten Renaissance School for 15 years, it is located at **17050 Clayton Road, Wildwood, MO 63011, #: (636) 733-4100**, on more than 51 acres! <http://www.rsdmo.org/babler>

ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE – WILDWOOD CAMPUS

2645 Generations Drive, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 422-2000

<http://www.stlcc.edu/ww/>

The newest Community College in the St. Louis District, built in 2007, provides more than 85,000 square feet of student facilities on more than 132 acres! It is conveniently located in the heart of Wildwood, near the Town Center Area, yet nestled among native prairie and woodlands. It was the first community college in the Midwest, and Wildwood's first building, to receive the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification. The LEED Rating System is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high performance green buildings. Gold certification recognizes the District for a high level of energy efficiency, site sustainability, and enhancement to both indoor and outdoor environmental quality. The campus green features include a green roof, a lighting management system, with increased natural light throughout the building, and systems designed to ensure high indoor air quality. STLCC-Wildwood is also a TOBACCO-FREE Campus - no consumption of tobacco is allowed on any campus property; this includes the building, grounds, sidewalks and parking lots. The college is committed to maintaining a healthy living and working environment for its students, faculty, staff, and the community. It is a "green" campus, built with environmentally-friendly materials and architecture. It was designed to enhance occupant comfort and health, reduce operating costs, conserve natural resources, and reduce each building's impact on the environment and the community.' Source: *stlcc website*

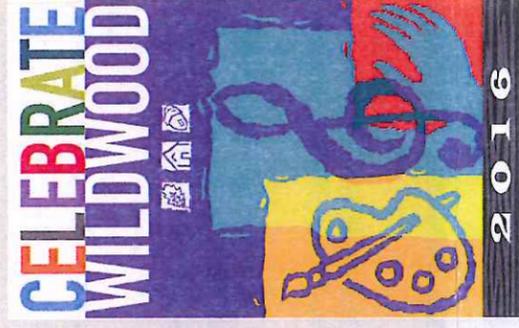
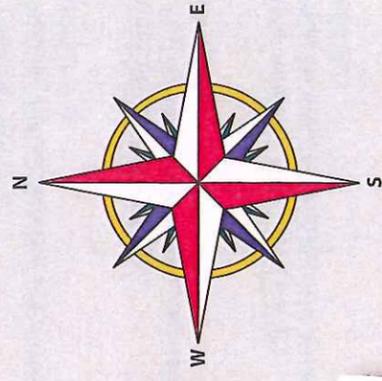
WILDWOOD FAMILY YMCA

2641 Highway 109, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 458-6636

<http://www.gwrymca.org/locations/wildwood-family-ymca>

This community facility, built in 2001, is situated upon a parcel of ground over nine (9) acres in size and conveniently situated by Wildwood Square, a commercial/retail center; St. Louis Community College – Wildwood Campus; and the Meadows of Wildwood, a 65-lot, senior-living neighborhood. This facility offers over 20 amenities for members' physical enjoyment, including a large, indoor swimming pool and an outdoor community garden – it is the YMCA; need more be said!?! Source: *gwrymca website*

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WILDWOOD HISTORIC COMMUNITIES

Centaur Generally located on Centaur Road at the Railroad Tracks (Central Midland Railway)	Grover Generally located along Manchester Road, between State Route 109 and Taylor Road	Melrose Generally located at the intersection of Ossefort Road, and Melrose Road	Pond Generally located at the intersection of Manchester Road, and Pond Road
Fox Creek Generally located on Fox Creek Road, north and south of State Route 100	Hollow Generally located at State Route 100, and Stovall Lane, by historic Stovall's Grove	Monarch Generally located at South Eatherton Road, and Centaur Road	Westland Acres Generally located at Strecker Road, and Church Road
Glencoe Generally located at the intersection of State Route 109 and Old State Road	Kelpe Generally located southwest of Babler State Park, at Wildhorse Creek Road and Ossefort Road	Orrville Generally located at Eatherton Road, north of Highway 109	

WILDWOOD POINTS OF INTEREST

[A continuation from the 14 Points of Interest identified in 2015]

- 1 Babler State Park
800 Guy Park Drive, Wildwood, MO 63005, #: (636) 458-3813
<https://mostateparks.com/parks/dg-redmund-babler-memorial-state-park>
- 2 Big Chief Roadhouse
17352 Manchester Rd, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-3200
<http://www.bigchiefstl.com/>
- 3 Community Park-Wildwood
2153 State Route 109, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com
- 4 Equine Assisted Therapy (E.A.T.)
3369 State Route 109, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (314) 971-0605
<http://leathertherapy.org/>
- 5 Greensfelder County Park
4515 Hencken Road, Wildwood, MO 63069
<http://www.stlouisco.com/ParksandRecreation/ParkPages/Greensfelder>
- 6 Hidden Valley Ski Resort
17049 Hidden Valley Drive, Wildwood, MO 63025, #: (636) 938-5373
<http://hiddenvalleyski.com/>
- 7 LaSalle Institute
2101 Rue De LaSalle, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 938-5374
<http://www.lasalleinstitute.org/home.html>
- 8 Metro West Fire Protection District Headquarters
17065 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 458-2100
<http://www.metrowest-fire.org/>
- 9 Rockwoods Range
Parking areas - 5035 Fox Creek Road and 4360 Fox Creek Road, Wildwood, MO 63069
<http://mrcd.mdc.mo.gov/applications/mrcd/as/AreaViewSummaryPage.aspx?tkAreaID=4669>
- 10 Rockwoods Reservation
2751 Glencoe Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-2236
<http://mrcd.mo.gov/regions/st-louis/rockwoods-reservation>
- 11 Stovall's Grove
18720 Stovall Lane, Wildwood, MO 63039, #: (636) 405-3024
<http://www.stovallsgrrove.com/>
- 12 Wabash, Frisco, and Pacific (WF&P) Railroad
101 Grand Avenue, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 587-3538
www.wfpr.com/
- 13 Wildwood Historical Society (WHS)
18750 State Route 100, Wildwood, MO 63069, #: (636) 458-2860
<http://www.wildwoodhistoricalsociety.org/>
- 14 The Wyman Center (Camp Wyman)
600 Kiwanis Drive, Wildwood, MO 63025, #: (636) 938-5245
<http://www.wymancenter.org/>

15 AL FOSTER MEMORIAL TRAIL

225 Grand Avenue, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

This 2.5 mile trail was a joint effort between the City of Wildwood, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation in 2003. Just south of Glencoe City Park, this east-facing trail runs along the banks of the Meramec River, eastward to Sherman Beach. Trail connections can be made to Hamilton-Carr Greenway directly north of the soon-to-be-improved, 1-acre Al Foster Memorial Trailhead and parking area, Bluff View Trail at mile marker 0.5, Rock Hollow Trail at mile marker 1, and Castlewood State Park via a single-track natural trail. A one-half-mile western extension, including a 194-foot pedestrian bridge over Hamilton-Carr Creek, was completed in 2011 through a partnership between Great Rivers Greenway and the City of Wildwood. Eventually, this trail will extend further south to Route 66 State Park! *Source: Wildwood website*

16 ANNIVERSARY PARK

16511 Clayton Road, Wildwood, MO 63011, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

This 13-acre property is largely consumed by floodplain of Caulk's Creek, which meanders through the majority of it. Completed in 2006, this 1-acre neighborhood park provides a playground, large pavilion, improved restrooms, a drinking fountain, and picnic tables. Nestled in the junction of three (3) City Council Wards, it serves as a premier destination for area families and is bustling with children playing all times of the day! *Source: Wildwood website*

17 BETHEL CHURCH > on Route 66!

17500 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-2255
<http://bethelunitedmethodist.org>

"Bethel" means House of God in Hebrew. In 1858, the original Rock Bethel Church was established on Wild Horse Creek Road. In March 1873, a fourteen (14) acre tract of land was purchased for a new church and cemetery on Manchester Road. In April 1875, the original, surviving church was dedicated. Bethel United Methodist Church has been, and remains, one of the centers of community in the City of Wildwood. *Source: Bethel Church website*

18 BLUFF VIEW PARK & TRAIL

1900 Old State Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

Since 2014, the City of Wildwood has leased this one hundred (100) acre property from St. Louis County and has completed several improvements to allow for its use. A 2.5 mile single-track natural trail follows a switchback pattern across the property. This park is open to equestrian users, hikers, walkers, runners, bicyclists, and nature lovers and the view from the bluff provides one of the most spectacular vistas in the region. This trail will soon connect to another natural surface trail, currently under construction, which will link this property to the 245-acre Rock Hollow Area, also leased to the City, creating an overall loop of more than eleven (11) miles of fun! *Source: Wildwood website*

19 GLENCOE CITY PARK

505 Washington Avenue, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

This park came about from a series of land acquisitions consisting of thirty-six (36) properties over the course of a decade, mainly due to frequent flooding of the Meramec River. These properties, plus the network of alleys and rights-of-way owned by the City, create its linear configuration encompassing an area of more than fifteen (15) acres. A large playground, with parking lot, a shade structure, picnic tables, restroom facilities, and beautiful landscaping, fencing, and stone planters, were installed in 2005 on a portion of the site. The Al Foster Memorial Trailhead is nestled midway between the park to the north and the river's frontage to the south. *Source: Wildwood website*

20 MARIANIST RETREAT CENTER

4000 Highway 109, Wildwood, MO 63025, #: (636) 938-5390
<http://mretreat.org>

This 133-acre property, located just south of the Old State Road/Highway 109 junction, was owned by the Alfred Carr Family from 1891 until 1943. The original home, known as MaryCliff, was built in 1905. It was sold to a Benevolent Society, which then sold it to the Society of Mary Province of St. Louis in 1950. Priests and brothers of the Marianist Order have served the spiritual and educational needs of over 75,000 students and adults since 1967. *Source: Marianist Retreat website*

21 OLD POND SCHOOL & PARK > on Route 66!

17123 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Old Pond School served the area's elementary students from 1914 to 1951. This 1-acre property was deeded to the City of Wildwood by Lorraine Comteaux, a descendant of the original owners, the Diehlofer family. It is a classic one-room schoolhouse, which was authentically restored beginning in 2002 and now serves as a community meeting place and neighborhood park. *Source: Wildwood website*

22 POND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

1725 Pond Road, Wildwood, MO 63038, #: (636) 458-9627
<http://pondathletic.com>

Incorporated in 1963, Pond Athletic Association serves over 2,000 youths each year, training them in the finer points of baseball, softball, and sportsmanship. This all-volunteer, not-for-profit organization has seven (7) well-maintained playing fields located upon twenty (20) acres, which serve enthusiasts from the entire region. *Source: Pond Athletic Association website*

23 ROCK HOLLOW TRAIL

777 Ridge Road, Wildwood, MO 63021, #: (636) 458-0440
www.cityofwildwood.com

The Rock Hollow Area encompasses twenty (20) properties, 275 acres, and is managed through a partnership between the City of Wildwood, the State of Missouri, the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Great Rivers Greenway District. Beginning at its trailhead, shared with Ridge Meadow Elementary School, a 2.3-mile asphalt trail follows the former Lawyer Ford Road, also known to locals as Zombie Road. The trail winds from the ridge line to the valley, having over 150 feet in relief, and featuring thirteen (13) bridges! *Source: Wildwood website*

24 WILDWOOD MUNICIPAL BUILDING

16860 Main Street, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 458-0440
<http://www.cityofwildwood.com>

The third building to house City Hall, and the first to include the Wildwood Police Precinct, was built in 2013. It is the second building in Wildwood to receive LEED Certification, being awarded the Gold Level in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. This building is home to the Department of Planning and Parks, the Department of Public Works, the Municipal Court, and Administration, Human Resources, and IT support on the upper level, accessible from the south parking lot, while the Police Department, and public meeting rooms are located on the first floor, adjacent to Main Street. In cooperation with the St. Louis Community College - Wildwood Campus, student art is on display in the Community Room of this building. *Source: Department of Planning & Parks/Wildwood website*

25 WILDWOOD'S ORIGINAL CITY HALL

- IMOGENE'S TEA ROOM > on Route 66!
16962 Manchester Road, Wildwood, MO 63040, #: (636) 273-6111
<http://imogenes.net>

This circa-1879 building was built by Frederick Retker and was the only general store in the area for many years. Later, it housed the telephone exchange and, in 1921, under Elmer Funk's ownership, it resumed its role as a general store. The store and picnic grove to the east were important meeting places in the community for many years. It was renovated in 1980 for private use then became Wildwood's first City Hall in 1995. A major expansion was completed in 2000, doubling the overall building's original size. After the City of Wildwood moved to a larger facility in 2010, the property was purchased by Wildwood resident Chris-sa Wheeler and became Imogene's Tea Room. *Source: Wildwood 'by 19 Rock', 2009*

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