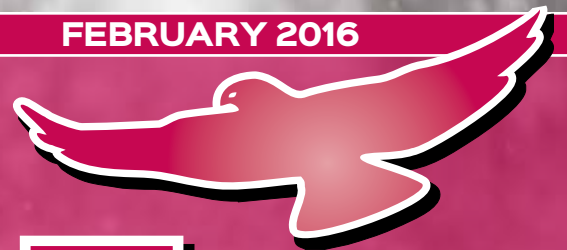


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In Our Community

President's Message

Community Christmas Challenge

Well, the final numbers are in and it looks like Hawkwood donated almost 120 backpacks and purses during the Community Christmas Challenge. At least four other communities participated and we contributed well over 20% of the total bags & purses collected in the city. These were gathered up and donated to The Mustard Seed, YWCA, Hope Mission, Children's Cottage and The Woman's Shelter. Again, I want to thank everyone in Hawkwood who donated and especially Grant & Brenna, as well as the Hawkwood Baptist Church, who brought us the idea and were instrumental in collecting all the packs and purses.



Hawkwood Soccer

Registration will start for our community based recreational soccer program for U4, U6 and U8 players. All the games are at Hawkstone Field on weekday nights and are a lot of fun. As always, the success of this program is directly related to the active participation of parents as volunteers. We need you to pitch in and help – especially coaching – where the best skill to have is cat-herding expertise! I've said it before, coaching these kids is a blast and now I can say I have coached kids in the Hawkwood soccer program who grew up and have won provincial football championships and made University varsity field hockey teams! Who knew I was so influential to these kids at a young age!!! Look for more information in this Hawk Eye.

New Face on the HCA Board

Over the holidays, Russell McPherson has stepped into the role of Treasurer for the Hawkwood Community Association. Russell and his family have lived up in Hawkstone for many years and he and his wife raised two great daughters right here in the neighbourhood. He brings a wealth of volunteer and treasurer experience to us and we are looking forward to working with Russell and having his voice heard on the Board. He has big shoes to fill, as Susan Duncan is stepping down as I mentioned a few months ago. Susan originally got involved as the driving force behind the Hawkville Close playground refurbishment as well as volunteering at the Hawkwood School and at every casino that I've ever been to. Susan has been on the HCA Board for almost seven years and she has been a very steady hand on the tiller with us on our journey. I am going to miss her and wish her all the best. Thank you Susan and welcome Russell!

Kevan Newman

Hawkwood Babysitters

I'm Stephanie, the Babysitter You Want.

I am a responsible and dependable babysitter in Junior High School and have taken the Red Cross Babysitting course and am looking for clients in Hawkwood, Arbour Lake and Citadel. You can reach me at 403-289-3273. The best time to call is from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. week nights. My rate of pay is \$8 per hour and 50¢ for each additional child.



Hello! My name is Megan and I would love to babysit for you! I am 14 years old and I have completed the Red Cross Babysitting Course. Also, I am certified in CPR & first aid through the Red Cross Bronze Medallion swimming/lifesaving classes. I am available to babysit on weekends and occasional weeknights in Hawkwood and surrounding areas, and I charge \$10 per hour. I also offer dog walking and cat sitting services. Please contact me at 403-276-9508 (home) or 403-862-3273 (cell). I am looking forward to hearing from you!

Traffic Safety

Traffic collisions are a leading cause of death and injury for Albertans. Most are under age 30. In 2014, there were 28 fatal collisions, 2,539 injury collisions, and 33,851 property damages.

Calgary compares well with averages in other major Canadian cities. Ranking lists are reviewed annually, based on the number and severity of collisions, traffic-based rates, and persistence of issues.

A new list is being developed of road user collisions (for pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists). Use of bike ambassadors is planned in 2016, along with a complete review of pedestrian safety. The City is working on the initiatives as part of the Action Plan 2015 - 2018.

Anne Burke

Membership Update!

Thank you to all who have purchased your 2016 HCA membership. If you have not purchased it yet, please log in to www.hawkwoodca.com and sign up. Our membership fees allow us as a board to host events such as the Community Clean Up, Sundaes on Sunday and the Winter Festival. In addition to the fun, memberships promote community unity as you have a say in the direction of the community. If you have any questions about HCA memberships or about the HCA in general, visit www.hawkwoodca.com and give us a shout.

Kurtis Bain, Membership Director



HAWKWOOD
Community Association

Membership Application



2016 Memberships can now be purchased online at www.hawkwoodca.com

Membership are valid for the remainder of 2015 & the 2016 year

You can pay for your membership on-line using Interac, Visa or M/C.

For more information, email memberships@hawkwoodca.com

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Word Puzzles

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. NO NO
RIGHT | 5. <i>Play</i>
WORDS |
| 2. BBBBB | 6. MONKEY
RUOY |
| 3. S XOT | 7. DR. DO |
| 4. CCCCCCCCCCCCC | 8. BUkickT |

1. Right under the nose 2. Be-line 3. X marks the spot
4. High Seas 5. Play on words 6. Monkey on your back
7. Dr. Doffitt 8. A kick in the butt

Playground Update

The time has actually come to see a difference in our neighbourhood! I have been the playground director for 1 year now and I have been busy collecting funds through grants to put towards the rejuvenation of the 4 tot lots in our neighbourhood that are deemed dangerous and fit for removal. The time has now come to get involved and help with the builds and planning of these 4 areas. Some are farther along than others but here is the breakdown.

- 1. Hawktree Green (HAW170)** – this area will be removed and replaced with a playground with an additional swing area as there is not a swing in a 7 block radius of this playground. All the plans are posted on the website. It will be completed by this spring as soon as the ground thaws! We will need many volunteers to help put the playground in when the time comes. Anyone willing to help out with this one can contact me directly and I will add you to the contact list right away.
- 2. Hawkfield Place (HAW012)** – this area is also been finalized as a playground and, thanks to the many volunteers and passionate neighbours, have voted and made their choices as to what their area would like in their space. This playground will service an older population. The 5 years up to teens. Our goal is to diversify the playspaces to something for everyone so that there is more excuse for movement around the community and to not limit the spaces to just the smaller children. This project is the first on in the neighbourhood to get this underway. There also will be volunteer opportunities for the installation of this area as well. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out with this one. This playground will be completed in May 2016. These plans will also be on the website for you to look at.
- 3. Hawkwood Crescent (HAW011)** – This is one of the projects that I am interested in getting some input about. This space will not be a playground and the equipment will be removed. I have an idea of putting in a sports court in this space which will include two goals and basketball hoops on asphalt so many different sports can be played there and do have the approval from the city for that but I would love to hear from some of the community who live in that area about what you would like to put there. There are options but the only thing that it will not be is a playground. Please look at the plans on the

website for the sports court and let me know what you think. If you have other ideas please let me know. Now is the time to engage and let me know. By the spring it will be too late and a decision will have already been made so if you have concerns or questions or ideas now is the time!

- 4. Hawktree Circle (HAW080)** – This playground will also be removed due to the danger factor. This corridor is used by many people and is very popular to move between the playground at Hawktree Green and the main playground in the fields farther along. This space will also not be a playground again due to the close proximity to two other amazing playgrounds. We do have a budget to enhance this area and it has been suggested and plans have been drawn up for a natural area with rocks for the children to play on making it a playground without equipment. The picnic table will be moved from the middle of that green space in order for ball games to be played there which was a suggestion from a few neighbours so thank you for that and that will be happening. This space again is up for discussion as to what will come of it. It is your chance to have your say and let me know what you would like alternatively in this space. Again, it will not be a playground but it does not have to be a natural area either. I would love to hear from the community as to what you would like to see there. It is a very small space so there are limitations. One other suggestion was a Frisbee golf course along the walkway? Maybe a pergola covered area? I need more feedback from you as a community. The plans for the naturalization area are up on the website for you to look at as well.

We live in a great neighbourhood and we now have an opportunity to make it better and put in some new life and energy! Let's make our community special!

Rosanna Law, playground@hawkwoodca.com

Hawkwood School News

Happy February from Hawkwood School! No School on February 1st, and kids are also off during Teacher's Convention (Feb 11-12) and also for the Family Day holiday (Feb 15). Lots of time to get out and enjoy winter in Calgary!

Remember to check www.myschoolbusmonitor.ca on cold days if your child rides a school bus. Delays are noted by school.

Legal Suites

There will be new rules for secondary and backyard suites, if a Council proposal is approved by Calgary Planning Commission. The report is due by spring/summer of 2016.

- Among the possible changes to the land use bylaw are:
- delete parcel sizes for R-C1Ls, R-C1s and R-1s land uses
 - min. width will be 9 ms. in R-C1N, R-C2, R-1N, and R-2
 - with all required parking stalls, reduce or remove min. width
 - delete min. parcel depth and parcel area rules in all districts in which they appear
 - where maximum floor area is regulated, increase floor area allowed to 100 sq. ms.

A motion to remove the maximum floor area for a basement secondary suite was lost on a tie vote.

Anne Burke

On Drones

With more use of drones for personal and professional reasons the City may update its bylaws in order to control them. The Law Department is examining the issue and a complete report may be brought to Council.

Transportation Canada regulates the use of Unmanned Air Vehicles (UAV). From 2010-2014 there were 3400 approvals. If you want to report a dangerous use, email: services@tc.gc.ca.

The current rules depend on the use and weight (less than 2 kg and 2kg to 25 kg). Fines of up to \$25,000 are possible. The Civil Aviation Office can offer exemptions for fun or recreation. However, for any form of work or research, a Special Flight Operations Certificate is legally required.

There is a framework of proposed changes, including new flight rules, aircraft marking, registration, testing, operator age limits, pilot permits for certain UAV operations. For more information go to www.tc.gc.ca.

Anne Burke

DID YOU KNOW??

A rubik's cube has 43,252,003,274,489,856,000 possible configurations.



Hawkwood Community Spring Soccer 2016

It's that time of year again!

Early Registration: Jan. 18 – Feb. 1; Register early and save on your soccer fees!

Regular registration: Feb 2nd-Feb 29th

Registration is **online only** and is available on the Hawkwood community website at, www.hawkwoodca.com under the Hawkwood Soccer U4-U8 link. Families registering their children for soccer require a valid Hawkwood Community Association membership. Memberships are available during registration. Any questions about the soccer program can be forwarded to me at soccer@hawkwoodca.com

- **U4:** born in 2012 (Must be 3 before May 1) starts Monday April 18 until June 18
- **U6:** born in 2009-2010 Starts Monday April 18 until June 18
- **U8:** born in 2008-2009 Starts Tuesday April 19 until June 18

In an effort to improve our program, please fill out this short online survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D8QNTYM>

Also, we desperately need volunteers to help coach and manage the teams. Please consider playing a role in supporting your children's fun this spring.

Jurgen Dauter

Concerned about increased air traffic over Hawkwood? You need to register concerns with the Calgary Airport Authority at YYC.com, and select the "Email Aircraft Concerns" link, or dial 403-735-1200. You can also get linked into a volunteer community group, "West Calgary Air Traffic Concerns" by Emailing info@wcatc.ca Their goal is to bring awareness and change to the increase of air traffic over West Calgary communities. See their Webpage at WCATC.ca

Air Traffic Open House Summary

Representatives from YYC, Navigation Canada and the Airlines hosted an Open House on Jan 5, at the Uplands Community Centre in Hawkwood. The primarily objective was to communicate proposed flight path changes over the northwest end of the city. However they also welcomed questions around the impact of high-frequency low-level flights introduced over the NW in 2014. There were 89 attendees, mostly from Hawkwood, but also other communities. Also attending was our MP Pat Kelly, our Councilor Assistant Greg Hartzler, and our former Councilor. Thank you to everyone who came out to get educated and voice concerns. This was important and successful in raising the profile on resident impacts. This was the largest turnout for an open house, as seen by the Hawkwood Community Association (HCA), and confirms this is an important issue for many residents.

The main issue for many attendees was the 2014 changes, and options to address the noise impact these are having on some residents. The one-on-one discussions with NAV Canada representatives allowed them to hear first-hand, the impact their changes have had on stakeholders. Two key questions were discussed with them:

Can flight paths be shifted further west, over low density areas? This was indicated to be difficult, due to a 3D spatial conflict between arriving and departing flights, that would force departing flights to stay at low elevation, longer. It was hard for residents (and the HCA) to understand this explanation, as there was no material to show the relationships. The HCA recommends these be provided so that everyone can be confident that this has been fully explored. If this turns out to be an option, it is a poor long-term solution, as it simply moves the problem elsewhere.

Can GPS flight paths be spread out across West Calgary (de-focused similar to pre-2014), so no one is under a high-frequency flight path? NAV Canada indicated this is not being done anywhere, and it is unclear if this is possible. The HCA is requesting that this be evaluated. If possible, this could be years away, as new air-traffic technology may be required. However, this is the fairest, long-term solution to a problem which is occurring in many cities where GPS has been introduced.

The topic of legal compensation, due to noise impact, was also brought up by attendees. There are lawsuits in the US over the introduction of this technology, and legal settlements have been awarded in Europe. This is the least desirable outcome for all parties. To prevent this, YYC is very open to hearing concerns and suggestions, and a more satisfactory outcome is likely if residents give more feedback. YYC is keen to have formal written feedback provided to their website. HCA will be providing a response, but it is more impactful if many individual voices are also heard. Please forward your concerns and suggestions, **before Jan 30** as follows:

Go to yyc.com. Click on the grey box titled "Proposed Required Navigation Performance (RNP) Airspace Changes at YYC" and **CLICK HERE on the provide your feedback** link. This survey is designed for current RNP changes, there are written areas to provide feedback on other air traffic concerns.

Transportation Update

Now that we are in the full grips of winter, please remember that city bylaws require residents to keep sidewalks on and beside their property clear of snow and ice. Falls on icy sidewalks can cause serious injury. Please insure your sidewalk is cleared within 24 hours of a snowfall and put salt on any meltwater ice that accumulates. Thank you to the snow angels in our community that run their snow blowers along their block, clearing off their neighbors sidewalks. Please help a neighbor if you know they cannot shovel their walk. If you see an ice- or snow-covered sidewalk 24 hours after a snowfall, you can report it to 311. You can also download and use the 311 app on your phone. Go to the city webpage: <http://www.calgary.ca/cfod/csc/pages/about-311-calgary-app.aspx?redirect=/cs/csc/>

Also please remember to slow down on our icy, hilly roads. This will keep our residents, your vehicle and our concrete flower pots safe and intact. Note that the electronic speed feedback sign in front of Hawkwood elementary will be reprogrammed to reflect the playground zone which is in now effect for all schools until 9:00PM and on weekends.

DID YOU KNOW??

The Welsh call February "y mis bach" which means "little month".

Councillor Report

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who worked hard to get the new portion of Sarcee Trail open from 128th Avenue NW to 144th Avenue. Many thanks to United, Walton Development and Management, Volker Stevin and the City of Calgary for getting this road open. This important stretch of road is now open to traffic providing better accessibility to 144th Avenue. It is also helping to reduce heavy truck congestion on Country Hills Boulevard, 112th Avenue and Shaganappi Trail.

I encourage Ward 2 residents to visit my new updated website at joemagliocca.ca for information on civic issues, transportation projects, my blog and other articles of interest for Ward 2. Additionally, for up to the minute Ward 2 information, please follow me on Twitter @ Joe_Magliocca or Facebook at www.facebook.com/joe.magliocca.calgary

The City's civic census is conducted annually and is currently recruiting census takers. The City needs nearly 1,000 flexible workers to help with the door-to-door physical Census collection and data recording in April. Census takers need to be able to walk in seasonable weather conditions and easily operate a tablet computer. Census takers are provided with essential training, to be completed at home online and must be available for an in-person session in March. Applications can be downloaded online and are accepted in person, at The City of Calgary Election and Information Services office, 1103 55 Ave NE, between 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. For more information please visit www.calgary.ca/census

Joe's Tip

When it snows, make sure to give yourself extra time to reach your destination and leave extra distance between you and the car ahead of you. Calgary.ca/snow is a one-stop shop for winter driving tips, the road conditions map, FAQs, updates and more.

Joe Magliocca, Councillor, Ward 2

DID YOU KNOW??

A polar bear's skin is black.
Its fur is not white, but actually clear.



Learning to Move and Moving to Learn - Physical Literacy at School

We know that learning to move, through the development of fundamental movement skills and exploration of movement in various environments, helps us to develop physical literacy – but did you know that movement can help improve academic performance?



There is plenty of research that shows a positive relationship between physical activity and learning. Regular bouts of physical activity throughout the school day prepares the brain for learning by improving cognitive function, attention and concentration and can improve test scores and academic behaviors. Additionally, schools that adopt regular physical activity breaks and interventions tend to have lower behavioral incidences and less bullying. Being creative and incorporating physical activity throughout the day at school is a simple way to not only enhance learning but also a great way to support a positive school environment and of course, contributes to long term health benefits – a win-win all around!

Visit <http://canadiansportforlife.ca/news/dont-walk-hallway> to read about a great physical literacy and activity intervention at Panorama Hills School in Calgary.

*Leah Yardley BSc. Kin., CSEP-CEP
University of Calgary, Be Fit For Life Centre*

Tiger in the Sky

The Great Horned Owl is the most common owl in North and South America. These magnificent birds are most recognized by their ‘plumicorns’ which resemble horns or cat like ears. These raptors are very adaptable using several different types of hunting skills to capture their prey as well as having a wide variety of prey.

It is this adaptability for hunting that they received their nickname ‘Tiger in the Sky’. The Great Horned Owl will dive, wings bent, talons outstretched to silently capture unsuspecting prey, including prey that outweighs the bird itself. They also swoop low along the ground to grab any variety of smaller prey and interestingly they are known to walk along the ground to capture yet other types of prey.

“ The Great Horned Owl will dive, wings bent, talons outstretched to silently capture unsuspecting prey, including prey that outweighs the bird itself. ”

The Great Horned Owl is a solitary bird except for mating. It is at this time that the smaller male owl will roost close to the nest of the larger female until all the young fledge, and at this time will again leave. The owls do not build their own nests but rather prefer other bird nests.

The most common injury the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society sees in these raptors are injuries from window strikes or of being hit by a vehicle. Owls that are received with injuries from window strikes have a better chance of rehabilitation. Owls brought in with injuries from a vehicle strike are more difficult to rehabilitate due to broken bones and open fractures.

Should you find an injured Great Horned Owl, please call the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre at 403-266-2282 as soon as possible for further instruction. These are powerful birds and must be handled with care, however every moment counts.



Niket Sura

If you catch a glimpse of the Great Horned Owl in their natural environment, remain quiet and still and enjoy the wonder of this beautiful Tiger in the Sky.

Cheryl Bowman, CWRS

Earn Your Wings as a Snow Angel!

Every act of kindness is as unique as every snowflake. The act of shovelling a neighbour’s walk may look similar but the reason it is important to your neighbour is uniquely special. Helping a neighbour with their walkway will brighten their day, make the pathway safe for everyone and make you the local favourite. Win, win, win!



As you shovel your walk this winter, take a few extra minutes to clear a neighbour’s too.

To learn more about the program or to find out information about recognizing a Snow Angel, visit calgary.ca/snowangels.

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This Month in History

Feb. 19, 1996

Canada’s new \$2 coin, dubbed the “toonie,” is introduced.

