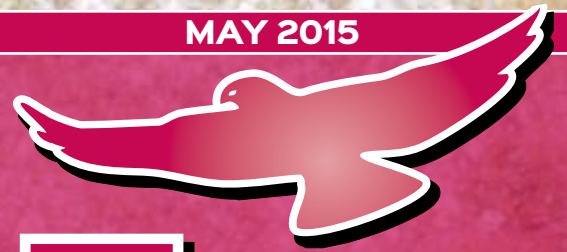


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**Hawkwood  
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## In Our Community

# President's Message



## Community Garden

The HCA has some plans for the proposed community garden and we will be having Open Houses to show the community our ideas and get more feedback. We have heard from many that like the idea, as well as those that don't. Now we want to hear from those who haven't given us their opinion yet. This garden won't happen overnight and is expected to be completed in phases over a few seasons. The garden site is proposed for the under-used baseball diamond between Village on the Park, Dreamview Village and The Uplands just down the hill from the Hawkwood Village mall. We think it's a great site and will be an enhancement for our community. Look for more information in this and upcoming Hawk Eyes and our website – [www.HawkwoodCA.com](http://www.HawkwoodCA.com).

## Increased Air Traffic Over Hawkwood

With the weather getting better, we are spending more time outdoors, and I'm sure many of us have noticed altered air traffic patterns over Hawkwood (and other communities). This happened last year when the new runway at YYC opened and the result – for some reason – is planes now fly right over us. For some, it's a huge disruption to their lives and to others, it's a fact of life of living in a very large city. Regardless, HCA's Transportation Director Pat Kelly and myself met with several airport officials and Ward 2 representatives to find out why this is happening and what can be done about it. Again, this is a fluid discussion and we will keep Hawkwood up to speed with what we have found out and what we can do. Stay tuned.

## Hawkwood Tot Lots

The HCA has committed resources and funds to try and keep our green spaces and tot lots functional spaces within our community for people of all ages (not just toddlers). We are in the enviable position of having 16 tot lots (and two, huge new school playgrounds), but some of those tot lots are showing their age and need to be removed for safety reasons. Our Playground and Tot Lot Director Rosanna Law is charged with working with the City and residents to best determine what to do with these sites. Some of them could be replaced, re-purposed with something else or removed altogether. Many of the sites are in close proximity to each other and probably we don't need two tot lots within a few minutes walking distance of each other.

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## President's Message Continued

The stark reality is that the City does not have the funds to maintain or replace these structures and safety rules make it almost prohibitive to replace tot lots swing-for-swing or slide-for-slide. We are forced to be creative and we look for to ideas from you – let's think "outside the box" on what can be done. If you have a good idea, drop us a line at playground@HawkwoodCA.com.

## Spring Is Here

Okay, I just jinxed it - sorry! Really, it's spring clean-up time and spring sports time. Watch out for our Hawkwood soccer program at Hawkstone Fields on weekday nights as well as soccer and baseball/softball players walking/biking to our many pitches and diamonds. I'll also give you the heads up that the street sweepers look like they will be hitting Hawkwood starting in late May. And we will be having our annual Parade of Garage Sales and Community Clean-up days in June. With the warmer temperatures and longer days, don't forget about our playground and school zone hours and, in general, watch your speed and obey those STOP signs!

*Kevan Newman*

# Community Connection

## 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.



# Hawkwood School News

Summer is right around the corner! Hawkwood School will be closed for Professional Day on May 15th and on Victoria Day, May 18th. Kindergarten Orientation will be held on May 28th. A big thank you to residents in our Hawkwood Community who were kind enough to donate their books for our recent Book Sale. All funds raised will be reinvested in our school! Can't wait to get those bedding plants out after the long weekend!

## Your Pets

### Tracy's Training Tip:

**M**ake living with cats and dogs easier by making sure the cats have their own escape/safe places to get to quickly. Baby gates can work really well for this, but raise them up about 6 inches off the floor so the cat can slip under. Having to jump over the gate slows the cat down and the cat jumping often arouses the dog further, making the "chase" more rewarding and even harder to extinguish.

For more information, visit our website at [www.cochranehumane.ca](http://www.cochranehumane.ca).

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Humane Society**



**HAWKWOOD**  
Community Association

## Membership Application

Memberships can now be purchased online at  
[www.hawkwoodca.com](http://www.hawkwoodca.com)

Membership are valid for 12 months from date of purchase.

You can pay for your membership on-line using  
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# Hawkwood Transportation and Infrastructure Update

The city installed hardware for a traffic feedback sign on the lower part of Hawkwood Road in March, to inform drivers when they are speeding. This installation resulted from formal resident complaints, and was supported by the Hawkwood Community Association (HCA). Hopefully, as you read this, the sign is operational and improving traffic safety. If you have similar concerns for other Hawkwood roads, please email the Transportation address below for guidance on how to have your location assessed.

Speeding fines were increased by 35% in the March Provincial budget, which provides additional monetary incentive to drive safely. Also, demerit points for distracted driving were recently approved. Repeat offenders that speed while using their phone face double demerits, and risk having their license suspended very quickly. The Community Association regularly requests Police enforcement to keep our streets safe. Residents are encouraged to make similar requests, as this increases the enforcement priority. You can send a request at this link: <http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Traffic/Traffic-Service-Requests.aspx>

Discussion was held with the City and Atco regarding constructing a pathway along the pipeline right-of-way that crosses the middle of our community. Resident surveys showed the strongest support for this pathway, and it is also in City plans. However, due to safety concerns, it cannot proceed until line pressure is reduced after 2018. In the meantime, the merits and funding availability for other pathways prioritized by residents will be assessed.

City discussions also reviewed options to place benches in scenic locations favored by residents. The most cost-effective option being assessed is to move existing underutilized benches. Many green spaces have 3 or more benches, most of which are not used, even during peak recreation time. Hence no impact is expected by moving one bench from these areas. This conserves HCA funds and meets the city goal of controlling maintenance costs. If a bench disappears from your park this year, look for it in a new scenic Hawkwood location.

To move these projects forward, volunteers are required for planning, finding funds, or stakeholder consultation, with HCA guidance. If scenic benches or biking/



*Proposed scenic bench location*

walking infrastructure are important to you, this is an opportunity to influence design, and make this happen. Time commitment is flexible and could be as little as a couple hours per month. If you can support this, please email [transportation@hawkwoodca.com](mailto:transportation@hawkwoodca.com).

## Boost Your Metabolism With Grapefruit



Grapefruit is a great way to boost your metabolism, while also being a great source of Vitamin A & D. Here are some other reasons why grapefruit is a great choice of fruit:

- Contains an enzyme that aids in burning fat.
- Helps with digestion, by breaking down protein in order to be used more efficiently.
- Can help reduce insulin levels. This helps your body process food quicker, meaning you burn more calories and store less fat.
- Grapefruit is also made up of 91% of water, and full of important electrolytes, so is a great fruit to snack on the prevent dehydration.

# Hawkwood Outdoor Soccer

CWSC will be providing a free soccer clinic to all players registered in Hawkwood soccer on June 6th.

### Who We Are

Calgary West Soccer Club is a northwest based community based soccer club formed in 2006. Our mission is to provide a soccer program, FOR ALL players where players have the opportunity to develop their technical skills and understanding of the game to enjoy the game of soccer lifelong. Calgary West Soccer Club is athlete centered. We believe that every player is an individual with dreams, aspirations, and talents which we can help develop. We believe that all players, regardless of level of play, deserve the opportunity to enjoy the game of soccer and develop to his or her potential. We provide access to both recreational and competitive league programs as well as academy training programs for girls and boys aged 4 to 18. CWSC encompasses the NW communities of Rocky Ridge, Royal Oak, Ranchlands, Arbour Lake, Citadel, Tuscany, Valley Ridge, Bowness, Silver Springs, Scenic Acres, and Hawkwood. We typically register over 900 players every outdoor season and over 900 players in the indoor season.

### What We do

We provide soccer programs - Soccer for All – for children, youth and senior players to play at all recreational, development and elite levels of play.

### Our Technical Director

Henry Haeusler leads our technical development program for both coaches and players. Henry is a coaching specialist in youth development and professional soccer. He received his Masters degree in Physical Education with special emphasis on coaching soccer at the German University of Physical Culture in Leipzig and holds the top DFB (German Soccer Federation) professional Coaching license and UEFA Pro License (FL 001805). As a youth Henry was part of the 1986 German Youth Cup final and from 1968-1970 a member of the U17/18 Youth National Team. Henry has played and coached at the professional level in Germany, and came to Canada as the Head Coach for the Calgary Storm professional team in 2001. Henry is supported by our Head Coaches Morgan Nkathazo, Chris McKaig, Andre Reis, and Juan Martinez. Please see our website for their professional profiles. <http://www.calgarywestsoccer.com/>

### Grassroots Community Clinics

Our CWSC Technical Team will be in Hawkwood on

Saturday June 6th, 2015 at the Hawkstone fields to conduct free soccer clinics.

U4 will run from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

U6 will run from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

U8 will run from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Open to any soccer players registered with the Hawkwood Community Soccer Program for Outdoor 2015.

*Marnie Karras*

## Playground Removal / Replacement / Refurbishment

As part of our commitment to maintain safe play environments for our children, The City of Calgary Parks developed a city-wide lifecycle playground removal and replacement process, which involves removing, refurbishing and/or replacing community playgrounds and amenities throughout the city.

As part of this initiative, Parks is in the process of evaluating the locations and number of playgrounds in the community of Hawkwood. A final decision has not been made and further engagement with the community is being planned.

Playgrounds are selected for upgrade or removal based on regular inspections multiple times each year, following Canada Safety Association guidelines. These inspections ensure that regular maintenance and repairs are conducted to keep equipment in good shape. Factors such as community needs and maintenance costs are taken into consideration when upgrading or removing playground equipment.

Calgary's community parks and playgrounds are a great place for Calgarians of all ages to walk, jog, relax and play. The City maintains and oversees more than 1,100 playgrounds city-wide. We encourage you to continue to enjoy these great community spaces.

Please visit [calgary.ca](http://calgary.ca) and search Playground Removal and Replacement or contact 311 for a complete list of playground removals and replacements for 2015.

# Hawkwood Park & Garden Enhancement

The HCA and Community Garden Committee are very pleased to present to the community our proposed Park enhancement design.

We have been working with local landscape specialists, The Leaf Ninjas, and the City of Calgary to create a park that will become a safe, accessible, beautiful multi-use space for all neighbors year-round. The Leaf Ninjas are experts in local landscaping, permaculture, and solutions that work with nature. They have designed for our community a Rain Garden that will solve the flooding issues in the park, capture the snow melt and spring rains and filter them into the natural water table. Rain Gardens are a beautiful solution that the City of Calgary is in support of, and they are a lovely feature that attract varieties of birds and butterflies, and deter mosquitos. A selection of hardy native plants will be incorporated into the Rain Garden which will be in the NW corner of the park. The Rain Garden is designed to minimize standing water and drain within 24 hours of rainfall, and looks beautiful when dry.

As the annual flooding issue is mitigated with the Rain Garden, we will be able to implement other elements of the Park Enhancement that Hawkwood residents expressed interest in in last year's community survey, such as bike paths that link to existing pathways, benches and picnic areas, and the Community Garden.

The Community Garden has been designed to re-purpose and recycle the materials in the de-commissioned baseball diamond on the park. The individual plots will be placed on the diamond gravel with the back-stop serving as a lattice to grow climbing plants. A lovely shed and compost area will be added to the back, as well as a pergola and seating for community use. We know that this garden will be

a wonderful asset to both local schools for teaching and learning, and a place for residents to meet and share in the joy of growing food and flowers. We plan to include a small forest of fruiting trees of the low height variety, and with the help of the Leaf Ninjas this will become a self-sustaining food forest that we will all be able to enjoy for decades to come. There are many beautiful examples of orchards and food forests that the City has installed around town, and we will partner with the Food Bank who sends volunteers to harvest any fruit that our residents don't eat.

Please peruse our initial Park Design provided here. We welcome your feedback, as well as any people interested in donating time, money, or in-kind materials and machinery we will need to make this project a reality. We will be hosting 2 community engagements sessions with more visuals and a representative from Leaf Ninjas to chat, answer questions and gather input and ideas. The info sessions will be held at the Uplands Community Centre on Saturday, May 16 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., and Tuesday, June 2 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Bring your neighbors, kids and friends, everyone is welcome!

Please visit the website for more drawings.



# Hawkwood Air Traffic Issues

The Hawkwood Community Association (HCA) and Councillor's office met with Calgary Airport Authority (AA) Apr 9, to understand new flight patterns over Hawkwood, due to opening the second runway last spring. The AA leads reviews of noise issues raised by Calgary residents, and has a responsive process to resolve concerns. While they cannot resolve every issue, they have a strong collaboration process with industry partners to find solutions. Solving noise issues also involves air safety and international standards, so can be challenging and take time.

With the opening of the new runway, NAV Canada redesigned the entire airspace in Alberta and introduced the latest GPS flight technology, which controls flight tracks over Hawkwood. They designed safer and more efficient flight approaches to Calgary, which better conform with international standards. Previously, flight tracks were more spread out across NW Calgary. The new system is more accurate and concentrates flight paths over a narrow track across Hawkwood and West Calgary. A two-year public consultation process focused on impacts to communities close to the airport. Communities further away were not expected to be impacted, as it was felt aircraft would be high enough to have little effect. Hence neither the Airport Authority, nor the Hawkwood community, were consulted.

This change has impacted residents to varying degrees. While many noticed the change, they are not bothered by it. However, residents that value how relatively quiet Hawkwood used to be are experiencing impact. Although the community always had flights overhead, the peak volume of the new flight pattern (every 3-5 minutes) has left some residents sensitive to this air traffic. The peak flight traffic has made traditionally quiet back yards, decks and greenspaces the equivalent of being adjacent to street traffic. The noise also penetrates normally quiet back rooms of homes, and can disrupt sleep. Concerns are less prevalent in winter, but peak during warm weather when residents are out more and windows are open.

Options to mitigate the impact will be discussed by the Airport Authority Technical Committee. Timing for potential solutions is unclear at this early stage, but there was commitment to continue dialogue. One option includes looking at the altitude of arriving

aircraft, but this option is constrained by limits on the safe descent of aircraft arriving into YYC. Another option is to investigate the placement of flight paths over Stoney trail to take advantage of lower residential development and wider setbacks from this road. This lessens overall residential impact, and benefits Hawkwood, but also shifts the problem. Another idea to address this would be to redistribute flight paths over a large area, so a low noise burden is shared across West Calgary. However, this requires that NAV Canada redesign Alberta's Airspace, and possibly new technology. This type of change is unlikely to be considered by Nav Canada.

To better understand aircraft noise impacts, the Airport Authority expects to have the capability to do virtual noise monitoring in the near future. This allows modelling of historical and current air pathways and engine types, to assess the greatest noise impacts and areas for focus. This will be helpful in understanding issues over Calgary communities. It will take time to study these issues and investigate options, however the Calgary Airport Authority is listening. Updates will be provided in the Hawkeye as new information becomes available.

## Did You Know... These Facts About May?

- May was once the third month on the calendar. January and February used to fall at the end of the year until Julius Caesar moved both months to the first of the new year. May went from the #3 spot to #5 on the calendar we follow today.
- Emerald is the birthstone for May. According to the Canadian Mining Journal, emeralds were found near Whitehorse in 1998; a fairly recent discovery for our country.
- According to an old Cornish superstition it is unlucky to buy a broom in the month of May. A very odd superstition don't you agree?

*Larynda McKay*

## Councillor Report

With the warm weather finally here and the snow gone, I'm sure you have been noticing potholes in and around your neighborhood. Potholes form when the snow melts into cracks in the asphalt and then freezes, expanding in the cracks. Meanwhile, the frost in the ground pushes up, weakening the asphalt. We've had a lot of complaints this year and we are working our best to get them fixed as soon as possible.

Roads maintenance teams started in April and will be busy repairing throughout the summer months. Keep in mind that they repair based on severity scale, so if a pot hole hasn't been repaired; rest assured that they will get to it. You can also help out by reporting any potholes you see to 311.

**Joe's Tip:** Our neighbourhoods are our first line of defense. Burglars don't like watchful neighbours, who are collectively interested in the security of their neighbourhood. So keep an eye out for each other, and remember to keep your windows and doors locked.

For more information, you can visit [Calgary.ca/ward2](http://Calgary.ca/ward2)

*Joe Magliocca, Councillor, Ward 2*

## Crowfoot Library

### Programs for Children and Youth:

- **Introduction to Balloon Sculpting:** Ages 8 – 12. Saturday, May 9, 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Please register.
- **P.D. Days at Crowfoot Library:** Ages 6 – 12, Friday, May 15, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- **P.D. Movie Day:** With parent/caregiver. Call Crowfoot for movie title. Friday, May 15, 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- **Preschool Pyjama Party:** Ages 3 – 5, independent of parent/caregiver. Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please register.
- **Worms Love Leftovers:** Ages 5 – 12. Saturday, May 30, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Please register.



### Programs for Adults: Please register for all adult programs

- **Law at Your Library:** Dispute Resolution. Thursday, May 7, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Introduction to Business Research:** Monday, May 11, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Social Media:** Safety and Privacy. Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Adult Learning Series:** Religion by the Numbers. Wednesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **A Taste of Coaching:** Wednesday, May 20, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- **Welcome to Canada:** Calgary's School System (in Mandarin). Saturday, May 23, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. To register call 403-999-3880 (Mandarin) or 403-777-6074 (English)
- **Citizenship and Civic Participation Class:** Sunday, May 31, 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Visit [www.calgarylibrary.ca](http://www.calgarylibrary.ca) or call 403-260-2620 for more information on these programs. Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

## A Sampling of Concerts

- **Neil Diamond:** May 2, Scotiabank Saddledome
- **Counting Crows:** May 3, Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium
- **Pam Tillis:** May 9, Deerfoot Inn & Casino
- **KODALINE:** May 12, Flames Central
- **Diana Krall:** May 15, Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium
- **Buddy Guy:** May 23, Deerfoot Inn & Casino
- **Jesse Cook:** June 1, Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium
- **Imagine Dragons:** June 5, Scotiabank Saddledome
- **The Oak Ridge Boys:** June 6, Deerfoot Inn & Casino



## DID YOU KNOW?

Mother's Day is the busiest day of the year for restaurants, with 62% of people dining out.