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In Our Community

President's Message

HCA Soccer

Just a quick reminder that the registration for Hawkwood's U4, U6 & U8 soccer program closes on March 2. The season runs from April 20th to late June and is on Mondays (U4 & U6) and Wednesdays (U8) from 6 to 7 pm. I would strongly suggest for you to consider volunteering as a coach for your child's team - it is very rewarding. Everyone thinks that they don't have the time or the skills to coach, but the reality is you don't really need to be a soccer expert to coach these ages. Honestly, it's a lot of fun to "herd the cats" and watch them run around, laugh (and cry), and get some exercise for an hour, one night a week. So, please consider volunteering - without coaches and managers and the volunteers in other positions, this program would not be possible.



Streetlight Outages

The City of Calgary has informed us that any streetlights aren't functioning properly will be only fixed if the City is notified. So, the best way to inform the City is through their online outage map. Go to www.streetlightoutage.calgary.ca and click on the button to report outages. This will take you to a map where you can zoom in on Hawkwood and click on the exact streetlight that is out. You can also check on the status of the lights that are out by clicking on the red light and reading the description. If a light has been out for more than 6 weeks for no exceptional reason, then go to 311 and quote the Work Request ID number and that should move it up the priority list.

HCA Events

We had Trivia Nights in both January and February at Brewsters, and they were very popular and a lot of fun. The next Trivia Night is on March 11th and you can get your tickets online through our website at www.hawkwoodca.com. We also had a Pub Night in late January where several local brews and wines could be sampled. We also handed out the raffle prizes out to Susan (Flight for 2 anywhere WestJet flies), Phil (\$800 Sports & Fitness Basket) and Cat (\$300 in local restaurant gift cards). Many thanks to the volunteers, the people who came out, those who bought tickets and especially the donors of the fantastic prizes. I also want to thank the nearly 40 people who volunteered their time at the Casino nights. The Casino funds that we receive are used to put on our special Hawkwood programs and support initiatives like our Community Garden, Rink and proposed Outdoor Recreational Facility (ORF). Thanks for stepping up everyone!

Kevan Newman
President, Hawkwood Community Association

Why Buy an HCA Membership?

Your membership fees support the work of the Hawkwood Community Association to provide facilities, services, and programs to benefit our entire community:

- Building and maintaining the skating rinks, playgrounds, community garden and path systems
- Organizing free social events such as Picnic in the Park & Sundaes on Sunday
- Delivering community information to your door in the Hawkeye and online through www.hawkwoodca.com providing a forum for discussing neighbourhood issues, challenges and opportunities

Memberships are valid for 12 months and are required for Soccer registration and voting at the AGM. For a mere \$30, you can make a big impact in helping your community. memberships@hawkwoodca.com

Brewsters Crowfoot Trivia Night

Wednesday March 11th, 7-10 pm

Profits from ticket sales will go towards HCA's Outdoor Recreational Facility

Our monthly trivia nights have become the place to be if you love trivia. Round up your trivia-loving friends and get ready for March's Trivia Night. Bring a team of 4-6 people or come on your own and we will match you up with others needing a team.

What: Brewsters Crowfoot Trivia Night

When: Wednesday March 11th, 7-10 pm

Where: Brewsters Crowfoot

Cost: \$12.50 in advance/ \$15 at the door

Test your knowledge, win some awesome prizes, and enjoy delicious food and drink specials all night. Trivia starts at 7:30 pm. No cellphones please!

Get your tickets by going to: showpass.com/brewsters-crowfoot-trivia-mar/



HAWKWOOD Community Association Membership Application

2020 Memberships can now be purchased online at www.hawkwoodca.com

Memberships are valid for 12 months from purchase.

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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Mailing Address: _____

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Email Address: _____

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Now You Have Even More Ways To Get Hawkwood Community Info

Check out our website and social media pages to stay up-to-date on all the happenings in Hawkwood. Tag us in your posts or use #ourhawkwood to share your happenings in Hawkwood.

Instagram: @hawkwoodcommunityassociation

Twitter: @hawkwoodca

Website: www.hawkwoodca.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Hawkwood-Community-Association-1592475421020917/

Not big on Social Media? Rather receive an email about upcoming events? Then email us at programs@hawkwood.ca and we will email you the information.

HCA Outdoor Recreational Facility Update

Moving forward

With our concept design completed (if you haven't seen it yet, it is up on our website), we are excited to move on to the next stage. We have started the process of creating the construction drawings and going through the city approval process. Over the next few months we will be moving towards more specific drawings and more detailed costs.

In addition to our landscape architects, Ground Cubed, we will also be working closely with the construction company, Wilco. We are excited about this collaboration as we feel it will result in the best possible facility for our community.

Engagement

Community Engagement does not end with the completion of the concept design stage. There will be several upcoming opportunities for everyone in the community to see the progress of the project, meet with the committee, ask questions and provide feedback. You are also welcome to contact us at anytime at programs@hawkwoodca.com for more information.

Donations

Interested in donating to this fantastic project? We teamed up with Parks Foundation Calgary, so we can now give tax receipts for any monetary donation to the project. To donate go to: <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/ParksFoundationCalgary/communityprojects.html> and choose Hawkwood ORF from the project list.

Sponsorship

We are also rolling out a sponsorship package to provide more opportunities for our community members and businesses to get involved. Some opportunities include:

- **Soaring Hawks - \$500**

Your business, organization or family name will be etched into a permanent donor board -- displayed on the entrance sign to Hawkwood's Outdoor Recreational Facility. All visitors will be greeted by you!

- **Renew - \$600**

Adopt a tree to plant at the Outdoor Recreational

Facility and enhance the natural beauty of the area! A plaque with your organization or family name will be placed at the tree.

- **Relax - \$2,500**

Provide a bench -- a place to rest, lace up or enjoy a cup of coffee with a friend! The bench will boast a plaque with your company or family name in recognition of your support.

To see more sponsorship opportunities, check out the full package on our website www.hawkwoodca.com. If you are interested in discussing sponsorship opportunities contact us at programs@hawkwoodca.com

Get the most up-to-date information on our project by following our Social Media pages. You can find us on Facebook (fb.me/hawkwoodca), Instagram (@[hawkwoodcommunityassociation](https://www.instagram.com/hawkwoodcommunityassociation)) and twitter (@[hawkwoodca](https://twitter.com/hawkwoodca))

Hawkwood Community Association's Spring Math Club

For the spring we are running a condensed version (8 sessions) of Math Club. If you have a child in Grade 5 or 6 who struggles a bit with math, then this is club for them. Starting April 4, Math Club is meant to help students in grades five and six refine basic mathematical skills in order to prepare them for junior high and high school. Taught by five exceptional grade 12 students (3 per class), the aim of the club is to make math fun by teaching concepts through games and pictures rather than lecturing. There will be breaks with snacks and drinks, ensuring kids will stay focused during lessons. Math should be fun and enjoyable; students learn much better when they have a passion for the subject. Fall Math Club will help your child find that passion.

What: Fall Math Club for Grades 5 and 6

Who: Kids in grade 5 or 6

When: Saturday mornings from 10-1130 am

April 4, 18, 25 May 2, 9, 23, 30 June 6

Where: Ranchlands Community Centre (7713 Ranchview Dr NW)

Cost: \$35 HCA/RCA members/ \$40 non-members

To Register: email programs@hawkwoodca.com

Hawkwood Soccer

Registration ends March 2nd!

Registration for our U4, U6, and U8 spring soccer program is open online at www.hawkwoodca.com under HCA Initiatives. Registration runs until March 2nd, after which, space will be subject to availability and there will be a late fee charged. If you miss the registration deadline, please contact me at soccer@hawkwoodca.com to see if there are any open spots available.

Hawkwood Soccer runs once per week starting in late April and ending in late June. Players will be assigned to a team and will play weekly games at the Hawkstone Fields. Registration fees include 10 weeks of soccer, team pictures, a wrap-up party, and a team uniform. You can find all of the prices and details about this season on our website. In order to register, families will also need a valid Hawkwood Community Association membership which can be purchased during registration.

Hawkwood soccer runs a weekly program for the following divisions:

U4 Division

- Games are on Mondays from 6 to 7 PM
- Season runs April 20 to June 22, 2020
- For players born between January 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017

U6 Division

- Games are on Mondays from 6 to 7 PM
- Season runs April 20 to June 22, 2020
- For players born between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2015

U8 Division

- Games are on Wednesdays from 6 to 7 PM
- Season runs April 22 to June 24, 2020
- For players born between January 1, 2012 and December 31, 2013

Important Dates

- Coach and team manager meeting – Wednesday, April 1, 7 to 8 PM
- Team pictures – Friday, May 8, 5 to 8 PM

Volunteers

Our program is entirely volunteer run and so we need support from parents and the community to ensure all roles are filled. Please see our website for descriptions of the various volunteer roles needed. You can select a volunteer role during registration, or if you do not have a child in the program, but would like to volunteer

with the soccer program, please contact me at soccer@hawkwoodca.com.

We are still several coaches short in each age division and this is the most important role that we need filled to make the season run smoothly. Please consider coaching your child. Training will be provided, and there is no soccer experience necessary, the only skill needed is enthusiasm!

Shannon Erno, Soccer Director

2nd Annual RCA/HCA Lego Competition April 25, 2020

Save the date – April 25, 2020 - for our 2nd Annual Lego Competition. We are once again teaming up with our friends in Ranchlands to put on this fun event. More details to come... watch our Social Media feeds for the most up-to-date information.

Back for 2020 - Hawkwood Neighbour Night at Brewsters

Hawkwood Neighbour Nights at Brewsters Crowfoot were so successful last year, they are coming back for 2020. Several evenings over the next year have been set aside as "Hawkwood Nights" and on these evenings, from 7pm-closing, show your proof of Hawkwood residence and receive Happy Hour Food and Drink Specials! This is a great way to get an evening out at a reasonable price and meet some of your fellow Hawkwood residents! Members of the Outdoor Recreational Facility Committee will also be there to share the latest project information and answer questions.

Hawkwood Neighbour Night Dates are:

April 30
June 25
Aug 27
Oct 29
Dec 31

***Bring your proof of residence**

***Reservations are recommended!**

Pub Night and Raffle

We held our Community Pub Night and Fundraising Raffle at the Ranchlands Community Centre on January 25th. It was a fun evening with some great beers, wine, food and games. Big thanks to all who made it a success - our volunteers, donors, attendees and ticket buyers. Thanks to you, we were able to raise a total of \$4,200 for our ORF project. Thanks to the Ranchlands CA for use of the building!



Thank You to our Pub Night Donors

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Hello from Hawkwood School Council & Society!

Hawkwood School is pleased to be adjusting well to the recent changes since the start of the school year.

We would like to applaud the extra work our administrators and educators have been doing, in light of recent fiscal challenges, to ensure our students education remains of the highest quality. We would also like to thank Trina Hurdman (Trustee, Wards 1 & 2) for attending our January meeting, answering questions, and shedding light on the current and future CBE budget changes.

The Hawkwood School Council and Society is a proud supporter of our Hawkwood School community and continues to promote a positive learning environment. Such as through our Pizza and Movie Nights! In January we showed Toy Story 4 which brought in many parents and students for a fun-filled evening. We are excited to host our next Pizza and Movie night on March 19th in the Hawkwood School gymnasium.

Are you a Hawkwood School parent or guardian? Do you want to learn more about our school, meet some new friends and participate in amazing events? Then join our regular general meetings! All meetings are held in the Learning Commons at our school, starting at 6:30pm:

- Wednesday, March 11th
- Wednesday, May 13th
- Wednesday, June 10th (Annual General Meeting)

School council meetings are a great opportunity to learn about how government and school board policies impact students, participate in upcoming events, and share your ideas about how we can elevate the student experience. So, come on down! (We usually have snacks...

More details can be found on our social media. Be sure to “like” and “follow” us:

Instagram: @hawkwood_school_council
Facebook: facebook.com/HawkwoodSchoolCouncil

***Hawkwood School Council and
Friends of Hawkwood School Society***

Thank You Casino Volunteers

The HCA Casino took place January 29th and 30th. 37 awesome volunteers came together to help - a great effort that benefits the entire community. Thank you! We will learn how much we made in the late spring and we will share the amount then.

Our next casino will take place in approximately 18 months. If you are interested in adding your name to the volunteer email list, contact us at programs@hawkwoodca.com

Hawkwood Community Garden

Are you aware that Hawkwood has a beautiful community garden?

Our garden plots are all sold out for this season! Thank you to all of our community for wanting to be a part of our gardening family. If we have a member that wants to be a part of our committee and help us to make the garden even better, please contact us at hawkwoodgarden@gmail.com.

Contact us at hawkwoodgarden@gmail.com for all inquiries or check us out on Hawkwoodca.com under Community Garden

Happy planting everyone!

Spring Session of Fitness Classes at the Uplands Rec Centre

Next session of Fitness at the Uplands runs April 1st to June 30th, 2020. Register now to reserve your spot.

For class descriptions, pricing and how to register visit: <https://www.uplandsrecreationcentre.com/fitness-class-session-info-and-pricing.html>

Local 4-H Club Explores Speed Skating & Perogies

Last month was full of exercise and delicious food for the Prairie Winds 4-H Club as they tried both speed skating and perogy making as part of their Explore 4-H Project. Alien In-Line instructed the speed skating active living project at the Olympic Oval on January 26th. Once everyone arrived at the Oval, we found our skate size and then began our dryland session. We learned about the importance of stretching and having a warm-up before sports. The instructors also informed us about how speed skates, hockey skates and figure skates are all different. Not only the boot and blade, but the style and proper way to skate are so much different from each other. There was a half an hour dryland session, and then we moved to the one hour on-ice instruction. Our legs were put to work as we learned the speed skating forward glide, balancing on one foot while gliding, pushing with one foot while moving and more!

The following week a local perogy vendor kicked off the February foods project of Perogy Making at the Bowness Community Center. The dough and filling were pre-made so that members had more time to learn the art of making the actual perogy. The filling mixture consisted of bacon, old cheddar cheese, potatoes, onions, salt and pepper and was an original recipe from the instructor's Ukrainian grandmother. We learned how to knead the dough properly, cut out dough circles, put filling inside and how to pinch the perogies. After about two hours of solid perogy making, everyone got a taste of their hard work and took home the extras!

For more information on our club, please email prairiewinds4h@gmail.com.

Caleb Donner – Prairie Winds 4-H Club Reporter



Hawkwood Neighbours are the BEST Neighbours!

To The Wonderfully Kind Soul Who Clears all of the Snow on the Sidewalks on Hawkwood Boulevard:

There has been more than one occasion where I have woken up and found my sidewalk cleared, and in fact the whole neighbourhood around me has had their sidewalks cleared by a mysterious little machine - as there seem to be tracks of some kind?! I have never seen you, who so considerately takes it upon themselves to anonymously do this, but I want you to know that I deeply appreciate it and your kindness does not go unnoticed!

So I want to take this time to thank you simply and sweetly for your thoughtfulness. This is something that you don't have to do, no one asks you to do, and I am not sure how much recognition you get for it, so it makes me believe that you do it from a place of kindness and choice! You don't know me and I don't know you, but your act of kindness has gladdened my heart and inspired my soul. I want you to know that what you do matters :) I appreciate you!

In Gratitude,

From me, one lovely recipient of the mysterious sidewalk snow clearer :) xo

Hawkwood's Pet of Week

Our Pet of the Week posts on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter have been a great way to get to know the pets in the hood. This month we got a chance to meet our first bunnies - Diego (white) Munchkin (brown) and Fritz (tiger stripe). Be sure to follow our social media feeds to see all the pictures and bios of our furry friends.

If you would like to see your pet as our pet of the week, send a picture or two and a brief description of their personality to programs@hawkwoodca.com

We are still waiting for our first reptile!



St. Maria Goretti School

Hello From St. Maria Goretti School. We are located on Hawkstone Drive in Hawkwood and offer our students a unique Italian cultural focussed learning experience. During the month of February, our students had the opportunity to celebrate “Carnevale” with an emphasis on both the Italian and French components of this holiday. All of the students look forward to a day filled with food, games and costumes. Thank you to all of our volunteers for making this day possible!

If you are a parent with a child at St. Maria Goretti School and are looking to get more involved in the various volunteer opportunities available, please email chair@mariagoretti.ca or call our office at 403-500-2099.

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March Break at the Library

Looking for fun? Find it at the Library! There are plenty of free programs for school-aged kids and teens happening all the time – especially when school is out. Come geek out with robots, build up your public speaking skills, play some tabletop and video games, or drop in for an arts and crafts camp. Whether you want to kick back and relax during March Break, or just catch up on your schoolwork, we’ve got the program for you at calgarylibrary.ca/march-break

Hot Off the Press: Your new Fire Safety Activity Book

Did you know that Calgarians are at the greatest risk of fire in their homes? To stay safe, it's crucial to make sure every member of your family knows about fire prevention, including your kids. The new Fire Safety Activity Book, a partnership between Calgary Public Library and the Calgary Fire Department, teaches kids all about home safety through colouring sheets, puzzles, and games designed for school-aged learners. Pick up yours for free at any Library or fire hall. Learn more about fire safety at calgarylibrary.ca/fire

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Calgary Public Library

News from Robert Thirsk High School

Robert Thirsk High School was proud to host the first annual Adapted Learning Program/Paced Learning Program (ALP/PLP) Sports Day on Jan. 21. More than 100 students from the ALP/PLP programs at Bowness, Nelson Mandela, James Fowler, and Robert Thirsk high schools came out to take part in the fun! The students started the morning with gym games and obstacle courses then had lunch together. After lunch, the students all got a t-shirt and were broken up into teams to play in a multi-court basketball tournament. The day was active, fun, and full of smiles! The staff and students at Robert Thirsk can't wait for next year's event!!! For the full feature story please see the CBE website under News Centre.

RTHS hosted our first Wrestling Meet Wednesday February 5th and a Basketball Feeder Tournament Feb 28th. We welcomed TB Riley, Pratt, HD Cartwright and Arbour Lake. We are always looking for fan support on Comet Nights - all fans are welcome for a fun night of supporting the athletes, games and school spirit. Dates and times can be found on the school website.

We look forward to our Spring Sports season (Boys' Soccer, Rugby, Badminton, Track & Field and Field Hockey). For up-to-date schedules of all team games please visit the Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association (CSHSAA) website at <http://calgaryhighschoolsports.ca>

The Bamfield Marine Biology trip - from March 29-April 6th - 22 students will experience a 10-day temperate rainforest and marine biology adventure on Vancouver Island

We would like to thank Martenizing by Stephan for their donation of \$927.65 to our school!

We are pleased to continue our partnership between the Robert Thirsk School Society and Martinizing by Stephen Cleaners. When you take your dry cleaning to their locations and identify yourself as a Robert Thirsk High School supporter, 10% of your cost will be donated back to the Society. All funds generated by the Society are disbursed back to school clubs and departments through an application process. We appreciate any support that you could give to this partnership. * PLEASE NOTE that you will need to identify yourself as an RTHS supporter every September.

School council meetings are open to all parents of students registered at RTHS and we meet every second

Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Meetings are a great way to find out details of what is happening in the school, and they usually run about an hour. Join us this month on March 10th!

Stay Connected with RTHS! Visit our school website for news stories, upcoming events and more! Or email rthscouncil@gmail.com.

Never Miss Your Collection Day - Sign Up for Free Weekly Reminders

Did you know that The City provides free reminders for your blue, green and black cart pickup days? All you need to do is sign up!



When it's time to put your carts out for collection, we'll send you a reminder. Get instant access to your pickup schedule, plus useful tips for using your blue, green and black carts. You'll also receive notifications about any changes to your collection schedule.

Sign up for free collection day reminders at calgary.ca/collection. You can get notifications by:

- Text message
- Email
- Telephone (this is a voice recording that can go to a mobile or landline)
- Downloading the Garbage Day app on your smartphone

There's also an option to print your own calendar. Don't have access to a printer at home? Ask a family member or friend to print the calendar for you, or print it for free at a Calgary Public Library location.

Tell a neighbour, friend or family member to sign up too! If they need a bit of help, download the app on their iPhone/Android or sign them up for the type of reminders that work best for them, such as email or telephone. Visit calgary.ca/collection to learn more.

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Winter Cart Collection Tips

Snow and cold can bring some challenges in getting your blue, green and black carts picked up. But follow these winter tips and collection day will be snow big deal.

Putting out your carts

- Clear snow and ice to put your carts on even ground. Place carts in a dry area so they don't get frozen to the ground.
- Don't place carts behind or on top of snow banks.
- Remember to space your carts – if you can walk between and around your carts easily, that should be ok.

Green cart

- Crumple up flyer sheets into balls to line the bottom of your green cart. This will prevent material from sticking to the cart.
- Freeze your food scraps before putting out into your green cart.
- Put your material into the cart closer to pickup day so it has less time to freeze in the outside cold.

Blue cart

- Clear snow off your cart lids, especially the blue bin. Keep the lid closed so that paper and other recyclables stay dry.

TIP: As you're clearing snow off your vehicle, brush the snow off your carts at the same time.

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Coalitions Collaborating for Impact

Five Things To Do Every Day to Build Your Family's Brains!

Science confirms that serve and return interactions help build and develop a young child's brain. Imagine a tennis match between you as a caregiver and your child, but instead of smashing a ball back and forth over a tennis net, you're passing various forms of communication between you! From eye contact, touch, singing, to simple games like 'peek-a-boo'... these interactions, when repeated through a young person's early life, are the bricks that lay a solid and healthy foundation for all future development.



So, what are some ways you can build that foundation?

- **Read** every day to your children, for at least fifteen minutes, and make it as joyful an experience as you can! Books are one of the most powerful ways to make serve-and-return interactions.
- **Talk** all day and have as many conversations as you can with your child. The back-and-forth of conversation is what helps our children grow as learners.
- **Sing** and encourage chanting, rhyming, and movement to help strengthen brain connections. Music lights up so many different parts of the brain at the same time!
- **Play** together in any moment and every moment that you can. Play is our brains' favourite way to learn and helps knowledge stick in our memories.
- **Love** your child and express that bond in every way you can. Your relationship with your child is one of the best resources they have as learners.

Coalitions Collaborating for Impact (CCI) consists of parents, community members, organizations and professionals who are all working together to better the lives of young children and their families. We work hard to support five important developmental areas for children based on the Early Development Instrument.

Adapted from Calgary Reads

Calgary NW Early Childhood Coalitions