

Hey Hawkwood! Let's Stain That Fence!

Do you have a fence that is looking rather neglected, unprotected from the elements or unloved? Come join your neighbors and The City of Calgary for a “Let’s Stain That Fence Weekend” on: **July 17 & 18, August 21 & 22, or September 11 & 12.** This summer the City of Calgary and the Hawkwood Community Association are here to inspire home ownership pride and community service.

Studies indicate that vandalism and graffiti become more prevalent and inviting to properties that are not maintained. Currently, fence boards are being kicked in and stucco is being knocked off in an attempt to further the damage of residential fences. If we can unite as a collective group and paint and repair our fences you will help to extend the life of your much needed privacy wall. Proper fence maintenance will attract homeowners to our community who care about their homes and property. House hunters search for communities that look well loved and cared for when they are buying a new home. Our goal is to make Hawkwood a desirable community to live.

Many of Hawkwood’s wooden fences are showing their age and need to be properly maintained or replaced in order to be effective noise and privacy barriers. Other benefits include increased property values, reduced incidents of graffiti and vandalism and the overall feeling of pride of living in a beautiful community such as Hawkwood. Staining your fence **on both sides** will help to preserve the wood from rotting and increase its life span.

The City of Calgary will help provide brushes on Saturday July 17, August 18 and September 11 at the Hawkstone Field on Hawkstone Drive. All you need to do is purchase the stain and rally your neighbors and begin that fence staining project. *If you are disabled or elderly* and wish for some assistance to stain the exterior side of your fence, The City of Calgary has arranged for labor to help you out. Please contact Susan at volunteer-hawkwood@shaw.ca and she can help arrange The City volunteers and free brushes for one of the above weekends. Read more about assistance in the City of Calgary’s letter.

General Paint is again generously supporting our community campaign by offering their top of the line solid stain Platinum Warranty Series (10 Year Warranty) Exterior Solid Color Acrylic Stain for \$ 29.99 a gallon (regularly \$51.99). That is **over a 40% savings!** This deal is for *all Hawkwood* residents only so please capitalize on this great offer and save your fence from rotting by staining **both sides**. Just show your drivers license with your address to get the deal.

For residents of the Uplands, I apologize for any confusion regarding the colors in the previous news letters and website. I was unaware of the architectural controls. The good news is we are negotiating an equally great deal for you at the General Paint Store. The final numbers have to be approved by their head office. Unfortunately our publishing deadline couldn’t wait for the exact cost savings. I’ll put them on our website ASAP. The Upland’s colors will be color matched to meet the architectural controls using a similar stain base to the “Flood Stain” required in the architectural controls. The Facility Manager for the Uplands Homeowner Association has dropped off the chip to the General Paint store as a reference for all Uplands residents. Take advantage of the close convenience and great savings!

The colors for the exterior fences along Country Hills, Sarcee Trail and Nose Hill are chosen. We tried very hard to match the original color selected for the fence. If you have already stained your fence and do not wish to participate in this program we do understand. Should you wish to match our neighborhood perimeter color along these roads we would be thrilled.

