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TrailMark News Update

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Celebrating the 4th of July

The HOA Board wishes all homeowners and residents a Happy 4th of July, and we hope that all will celebrate Independence Day safely and within the law.



The following is provided as a courtesy to all.

Fireworks in Littleton

July 2024

TrailMark falls within the city limits of Littleton, therefore, the city rules apply. All personal fireworks are illegal in Littleton, including sparklers. If you see or hear fireworks, report it to the Littleton Police non-emergency number at 303-794-1551.

Fireworks and Pets

Protect Your Pets: According to animal control officers, more dogs get lost around July 4th than any other time of the year. Keep your pets properly confined to avoid escape due to fear of fireworks. Have your dog's license and identification up to date so that in the event your pet does escape, Animal Control can facilitate a quick return.

Leave the Fireworks to the Professionals

Attend a public fireworks display. Some local Fireworks displays/celebrations:

- July 3rd at Clement Park
- July 4th at Cornerstone Park

We look forward to seeing all of the TrailMark residents at the 4th of July Bike Parade! Details are in the "Upcoming Events" section of this newsletter.



HOA Assessments are due July 1st

More information can be found on our Pay Assessment Fees page. If you have any questions, please email TrailMark@westwindmanagement.com.

New Republic trash and recycle cans for TrailMark Residents coming in August



During the May 14th HOA meeting we discussed our extremely successful negotiations with Republic Trash Service and were able to extend our trash contract over the next 3 years, expiring in August of 2027. Our trash and recycle days will continue to be on Tuesdays.

One of the agreed terms of our new trash contract with Republic Services was that we would agree to three consecutive days where Republic will come into TrailMark and switch our old GFL/Alpine Trash and Recycle cans with ONE new Republic Trash can, and ONE new Republic Recycle can. Your old GFL/Alpine Trash and Recycle cans will be recycled once they are swapped with the new Republic totes.

- All residents in the 659 single family homes will receive ONE 96 gallon trash can, and ONE 96 gallon recycle can.
- All residents in the 68 Star Canyon Patio Homes will receive ONE 65 gallon trash can, and ONE 65 gallon recycle can.
- All residents in the 72 Star Canyon Condos will receive ONE 65 gallon trash can, and ONE 65 gallon recycle can.

For point of clarification, due to public feedback at previous HOA meetings, residents in the Star Canyon Patio Homes and Condos expressed the need for smaller 65 gallon totes since those residents are limited on storage.

HOA President Ken Colaizzi spoke with the General Manager at Republic Trash Service regarding their company's master plan to switch all of our trash cans and recycle cans. Please write these dates down on your calendar so you can assist Republic with changing out your trash and recycle cans with new ones.

On August 13th, 14th and 15th, please leave your ONE current GFL/Alpine Trash can and your ONE current GFL/Alpine Recycle can in your normal pick-up spot for trash day. PLEASE LEAVE YOUR TRASH CAN AND RECYCLE CAN EMPTY AND FREE OF TRASH AND RECYCLED MATERIAL.

On August 13th (trash day) it's okay to have the trash cans and recycle bins full like usual, because the switching of trash/recycle cans will follow immediately after trash/recycle pick up. Trash and Recycle cans should be left empty on August 14th and 15th.

On either August 13th, 14th, or 15th, Republic will eventually stop by your house and haul away your old trash and recycle can, and replace it with ONE new trash can and ONE new recycle can. Once you receive your new trash and recycle cans, we kindly ask that you store them in the place that you normally store your trash and recycle cans.

TrailMark has nearly 800 homes including Star Canyon. Republic uses a third party sub-contractor to pick up the old totes and deliver the new totes, so trying to do this task in one day is not feasible. It will take 3 days to perform this task, and our Board appreciates your cooperation and patience with this. If some of you will be on vacation, please ask a neighbor to help leave your cans at the curb for these 3 days so this task can be completed as planned.

We realize that some of you do not currently have a recycle can, so many of you will finally be receiving a recycle can when this switch happens. We also realize that some of you have multiple trash cans. We are not asking you to trade ALL of your trash cans, so just put ONE of your current trash cans out to be switched. Our contract states that each homeowner will receive ONE new trash can and ONE new recycle can. Republic is hoping that folks will release ONE of their old GFL/Alpine trash cans, and ONE of their recycle cans (if they have one).

If you are a homeowner who has two trash cans and one recycle can, and you are wondering if they will still empty the two trash cans and one recycle can, the answer is YES. However, all trash and recycle material still needs to be placed in the trash and recycle cans, per our trash policy and our contract with Republic Services. Trash bags and empty boxes and/or cardboard laying in the streets will not be hauled away – so please follow our policy. For clarity, here's a copy of our trash policy, https://www.trailmark.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/hoa_trashpolicy_20190711.pdf

Thank you in advance for helping us with this endeavor of switching the trash and recycle cans – as this will ultimately help Republic with the efficiency of their trash and recycle pick-ups too. During those three days in August, we request that you leave your trash and/or recycle material in your garage until you get your new cans delivered. Keeping all trash and recycle debris in your garage helps with not attracting bears to our neighborhood, as well as keeps trash from flying into other homeowners' yards. Thank you again for helping with this slight inconvenience. In conclusion, we'd also like to share a couple more notable negotiations that your HOA Board secured for the better of Trail-Mark. In agreeing to a 3-year contract extension, we were able to also get our monthly rates lowered as well – which will help keep our quarterly dues from raising at this time.

The best news though, is our Board also secured a FREE dumpster day for our residents in 2025, 2026, and 2027. In the three years ahead of us, we will be granted one free dumpster day per year over the next three years – we scored! Our Board will advertise the 2025 dumpster day once we nail down a date with Republic.

If anyone has additional questions regarding this switch in trash cans, we invite you to our July 9th HOA meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Crave Nutrition located at 9729 W Coal Mine Ave, Suite Y, in Littleton, as it is an agenda item that evening. We will be happy to answer your questions at the meeting. If you are unable to make the July HOA meeting, then you may also email the Board at trailmark@westwindmanagement.com

Again, please leave your ONE current trash can and ONE current recycle can (if you have one) at the curb on August 13th, 14th, and 15th so Republic Services can provide us all with new trash and recycle cans. Please share this information with your fellow neighbors so we know that all residents have been informed. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation with this huge task.

June Concert was Fantastic

The HOA Board would like to extend the most gracious thank you to TrailMark resident Jack Lawson and his band "The Details" for rocking Hogback Hill Park at our first summer concert of 2024.

Numerous residents filled Hogback Hill Park on June 23rd with their chairs, picnics, tents and umbrellas to enjoy the music from Jack's band comprised of Colorado School of Mines students.

Hunter, the owner of Slifie's Devil Dogs, said our concert was one of his best events all year – as TrailMark residents love his hot dogs, brats, burgers and snow cones. I'd like to share what Hunter's employees said about serving our neighbors with this text that I received, "Thanks again for having us out! Kyra and Matt said it was one of the best events ever, they loved it!"

Thank you to all of the neighbors who came out last night for our first summer concert. Mingling with our neighbors and socializing is what makes TrailMark such a unique and one of a kind neighborhood.

Please join all of us at Hogback Hill Park on Sunday, July 28th for the Josh Bierman Band at 5:30 p.m. LB Tacos from Englewood will be our food truck that night.

Thanks again to Jack Lawson's band, The Details, for a job well done! Our June concert was FANTASTIC!







Photos by Ken Colaizzi and Dave Soule





Kids, we hope you've begun working on your bike decorations and designs for the 4th of July Bicycle Parade! Despite the construction at TrailMark Park, we're so excited to come together and celebrate at our Annual 4th of July Kids Bike Parade and Festival. The parade will follow its usual route along Field and Flower Way, just west of Fairview Reservoir. Please meet at 9 AM sharp on Field Way near the bridge. As always, firefighters from SMFR #19 and police officers from Littleton Police will lead the procession.

After kicking off the festivities with this exuberant patriotic display, head over to Hogback Hill Park for more Independence Day merriment. Enjoy donuts, otter pops, and coffee provided by Ken Colaizzi and Starbucks at Wadsworth and Chatfield. As always, the kids will love the face painting and bouncy house, courtesy of the TrailMark homeowners association. Summer is here so mark your calendars for July 4th at 9:00 AM!





UPCOMING

HOA BOARD MEETING



Tuesday, July 9thHOA Board Meeting6:00 pmCrave Nutrition, 9729 W Coal Mine Ave., Littleton

Residents Craig and Coleen Thurber, owners of Crave Nutrition, have graciously offered their place of business FREE of charge for our July meeting location. They also offered to provide free samples that night. The HOA Board sincerely thanks the Thurbers for letting us occupy Crave Nutrition for our July meeting.

Agenda

All are welcome.

4th of July Bike Parade



Photo by Deahna Visscher

Thursday, July 4th 9:00-11:00 am

Meet at the bridge near TrailMark Park first. Festivities continue at Hogback Hill Park after the parade.

Decorate your bicycle and come join us for the TrailMark Annual Bike Parade. The local police and fire department will lead our enthusiastic cyclists around South Field and South Flower Way. The parade will start at the bridge on South Field and make two laps around the block.

Afterwards, join us at Hogback Hill park for donuts, otter pops, and coffee provided by Ken Colaizzi and our local Starbucks. There will also be face painting and a bounce house. This is a free event.



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TMMD REGULAR MEETING



Tuesday, July 16th 6:30 pm Fire Station 19, 8490 W TrailMark Pkwy, Littleton

CONCERT IN THF PARK #2



Sunday, July 28th 5:30-7:30 pm Hogback Hill Park

JOSH BIERMAN BAND

Relax with your neighbors and enjoy the scenery while listening to music from a good local band.

Bring your picnic basket, lawn chairs and outdoor blankets and settle in! Or, enjoy food available to purchase from the food truck. There will be a bounce house for the kids!

Please remember to leave no trace and put trash in the receptacles by the basketball court. If you have lost or found items, please contact the Social Committee at social@trailmark.org.

FOOD TRUCK THURSDAY



Thursday, July 18th 5:30-7:30 pm S Field Way near TrailMark Park

- All trucks offer walk-up ordering.
- If trucks offer online ordering, it will be available when service begins.
- Please respect those who live on that street.
- If garbage cans are full, please bring your trash home.
- Food truck selections subject to change.
- Due to weather and other circumstances, events may be canceled. Please check trailmark.org for cancellation information.



August 3 - TrailMark Night at Pirates Cove August 6 - National Night Out August 8 & 22 - Food Truck Thursday August 25 - Concert in the Park #3

Visit trailmark.org for more details. If you would like to volunteer for any event, please contact the Social Committee with the name of the event and we will send you the sign-up genius for that event - social@trailmark.org

TrailMark HOA Events Calendar... Did you know?

Near the top-right of the trailmark.org home page, there is a link to TrailMark's Events Calendar. The communications committee keeps it updated with HOA events like meetings, social events like Food Truck Thursday, and other local usually free – events from Littleton and surrounding areas. Next time you have a minute, we invite you to take a look > https://www.trailmark.org/calendar/



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