

August 2026

TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter



Photo by Emily Ellis

August Calendar

8/1 – News Update

8/4 – National Night Out

8/6 – Food Truck Thursday

8/14 – Adult Night Out:
Preseason Football

8/20 – Food Truck Thursday

8/23 – Concert in the Park

8/28 – HOA Board Self-
Nomination Forms Due

Board Members

President

Ken Colaizzi

Vice President

Arwen Vaughan

Secretary

Tonya Sloan

Treasurer

Phil Kinney

Member at Large

David Soule

Email the HOA Board:

TrailMark@WestwindManagement.com



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TrailMark's
Websites
& Pages**

Drivers: Reminder to Stop when School Bus Lights are Flashing



As we start a new school year, we would like to remind residents that when the school bus lights are flashing **RED**, drivers must stop from every direction.

Colorado law states: "You must stop your vehicle at least 20 feet before reaching a school bus that is stopped with its red lights flashing whether it is on your side of the road, the opposite side of the road, or at an intersection you are approaching. You must remain stopped until the flashing red lights are no longer operating. Watch carefully for children near the school bus and children crossing the roadway before proceeding."



Wildfire in Littleton and Jefferson County is always a concern

Due to Jefferson County's geographic makeup, wildfire is always a concern, and it is a more potent threat during droughts or dry spells. Rainfall and cooler temperatures may reduce the danger of wildfire; however, people are encouraged to be vigilant as the danger of fire is always present in the high country. The risk is even greater when under a [fire weather watch or red flag warning](#). Citizens should use caution when starting and extinguishing campfires, disposing of lighted cigarettes, and other activities that involve the use of fire or sparks.

Visit the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office Fire Restrictions & Bans page – <https://www.jeffco.us/511/Fire-Restrictions-Bans>

Sign up for Emergency Notifications here – <https://www.trailmark.org/safety/>

Colorado Fire Weather Boundaries map – https://www.weather.gov/source/pimar/FireZone/co_firezone.jpg
(TrailMark is in Fire Weather Zone 239, and very close to 216.)

HOA Board of Directors Calling for Candidates



Each year our HOA Board of Directors has an annual election. This coming November there will be three (3) HOA Board of Director positions up for election. Currently, the seats of Secretary Tonya Sloan, Treasurer Phil Kinney and Member-at-Large David Soule are up for election. The board members whose terms have expired do have the option of filling out a Self-Nomination Form and running for another two-year term.

The terms for Ken Colaizzi (President) and Arwen Vaughan (Vice President) do not expire until November 2027.

Our HOA Board encourages other interested residents who would like to volunteer their time to consider running for the HOA Board. If you are interested, please fill out the Self-Nomination form and either scan it and email it to TrailMark@westwindmanagement.com, or mail it to:

TrailMark HOA
C/O Westwind Management Group
27 Inverness Drive East
Englewood, CO 80112

SELF-NOMINATION FORM

All self-nomination forms are due to Westwind Management by end of the day August 28th, 2026. Turning in your self-nomination form by August 28th will guarantee that your candidate platform will be included in the Annual Meeting mail-out in October as well as your name being on the HOA Board of Directors ballot.

Our Bylaws also permit residents to nominate themselves at the Annual meeting, pursuant to meeting the noted qualifications.

TrailMark's Second Amended Bylaws, posted on TrailMark.org, clearly define the Qualifications of Directors in section 5.3:

"A director may be re-elected and there shall be no limit on the number of terms a Director may serve. In order to be eligible for election and/or appointment to the Board of Directors, an Owner must be in good standing with the Association. Good standing means, without limitation, free from any outstanding balance owed to the Association and free from any infractions with the Association."

If you are elected, you will participate in 6 bi-monthly HOA meetings (usually two hours long), as well as 5 bi-monthly work sessions at Westwind Management. You will also help with various committee events. All positions are volunteer and usually consume about 2-5 hours a week with emails and/or phone calls amongst Board Members, the management company, vendors, committee members and homeowners.

Once the votes have been certified and counted at the Annual HOA meeting on November 10th, the Board will then have a brief meeting to decide who will be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member at Large for 2026-2027.

Being an HOA Board member is rewarding as you are able to assist your neighborhood with enforcing its covenants, aiding in the beautification of our neighborhood, assisting fellow neighbors to follow the HOA process, and helping maintain our property values.

If you meet the above criteria, and can dedicate your time to TrailMark, then we strongly encourage you to complete your self-nomination form and run for the TrailMark HOA Board of Directors.

State Champions in the neighborhood!

Congratulations to the Ken Caryl 10U All-Stars who became the COLORADO 8-10U LITTLE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONS on Tuesday, July 21st in Grand Junction, Colorado!

TrailMark residents Nolan Hickman and Cruz Woodin were on the winning team. Nolan's dad Ryan Hickman was an assistant coach on the team.



Photo by Darcy Hickman

Congratulations to the team, parents, family members, coaches, volunteers, sponsors and fans who packed the stands in Grand Junction for the Championship Game!

Talented TrailMark twins thrive in the theater

TrailMark is home to two very talented theater artists. Ashley and Aspen Somers just starred in a production of their own. "Cryptophasia," a touching play about identical twins joined at the hip, was written by Aspen. The play ran for four nights at the Three Leaches Theater in Lakewood. The audience was captivated throughout the whole play, as the professionalism and talent of the actors caught the emotions of all. The production included six exceptional actors and a professional stage crew.

Ashley and Aspen have starred in a few TV shows, and they each have their own IMDb pages. Most notable, in 2022 Ashley appeared in an episode of TV's American Horror Stories.

Ashley and Aspen are the co-founders of the non-profit theater organization "Stagebugz," which provides an affordable theater camp for young performers. They currently run theater-based summer camps for children and birthday parties for all ages.



Photos by Linda Jagiello



If you would like to recognize an outstanding TrailMark resident, we invite you to submit a draft article for publication consideration to communications@trailmark.org. Selected submissions may be featured on trailmark.org and in the [TrailMark newsletter](#).



Screenshot image of Facebook response

Another Thankful Reason to live in TrailMark

Recently, KDVR Fox 31 posted an article on Facebook, highlighting a Littleton HOA that is strictly enforcing its covenants regarding dead grass and/or brown/yellow grass. The [article](#) is referring to the Ken Caryl Ranch HOA which is just north of TrailMark and west of C470 and Ken Caryl Avenue, also known as the Ken Caryl Valley.

The TrailMark HOA Board made a decision about this issue back in April 2026 as they [notified all TrailMark residents](#) that no resident would be fined or sent a courtesy notice as long as they were doing the best that they could given the strict drought restrictions from Denver Water.

To date, no TrailMark resident has received an HOA courtesy notice or a fine regarding stressed lawns. HOA president Ken Colaizzi shared a personal comment with KDVR Fox 31 on their Facebook page post stating that the TrailMark HOA governs with “common sense and has empathy” as we are residents here, too.

Our TrailMark HOA Board is proud to share with all 799 homes that this is yet another thankful reason to live in TrailMark.

Chris Daniels and the Kings rocks Hogback Hill Park

Despite the very hot July heat, TrailMark residents enjoyed singing with Chris Daniels and the Kings. Concertgoers worked on their suntan, ate burgers from Revolver Kitchen and just enjoyed some good music in the park.

Thanks for joining us for a great concert. Please come to our third and final concert with Darling Revival on Sunday, August 23rd at Hogback Hill Park at 5:30 p.m. Our food truck will be LB Tacos.



Photo by Ken Colaizzi. View more photos [here](#).

Biggest TrailMark crowd ever at Pirates Cove



Photo by Ken Colaizzi. View more photos [here](#).

Our HOA Board would like to thank all of you who came out to Pirates Cove for some fun in the water. It was our largest attendance ever with 353 residents coming in for a nice cool swim. We know Mother Nature helped our attendance tonight with the blistering heat.

Our TrailMark Social Committee deserves a huge hand of praise for booking this event back in January.

There were a lot of smiling faces on the slides and lazy river. What a fun night for everyone.

On behalf of our TrailMark HOA Board, we hope that all of you enjoyed a night of swimming with your families. Thank you for coming.

4th of July Bike Parade was loved by all

TrailMark celebrated America's 250th birthday with our patriotic annual Kid's Bike Parade. The pictures are worth a thousand words because the kids had a blast.



Photo by Ken Colaizzi. View more photos [here](#).

A huge thank you goes to the following volunteers who helped make this a successful event for our TrailMark kiddos: Kathy Keith, Deahna Visscher, Phil Kinney, Darcy Jones, Brooke Colaizzi, Domenic Colaizzi, Sabrina Colaizzi and Ken Colaizzi.

Our HOA Board would also like to express our most sincere gratitude to the Littleton Police Department and South Metro Fire Station #19 for leading our 4th of July Kids Bike Parade. The lights and sirens were our fireworks.

Watching families enjoy the precious freedoms by singing songs, eating donuts, slurping Otter Pops, painting kids' faces, and walking in a neighborhood parade shows how special and connected our community is. Thank you all for participating in our annual 4th of July festivities.

Black Bear Trail reopens today, August 1st

The Black Bear Trail is a difficult shared-use trail to the west of TrailMark, connecting Deer Creek Canyon Park and Hildebrand Ranch Park. It is closed seasonally from February 1st through July 31st.

- [Black Bear Trail Map](#)
- [Black Bear Trail Seasonal Closure Flyer](#)
- [Black Bear Trail Fact Sheet](#)

Source: <https://www.jeffco.us/1208/Deer-Creek-Canyon-Park>



Photo by Kara Brautigam

UPCOMING EVENTS

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 4th

5:00-7:00 pm

TrailMark Park



The HOA Board invites all TrailMark residents to National Night Out at TrailMark Park on Tuesday, August 4th.

National Night Out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police and community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Littleton Police Officers will be there to interact with our residents by letting kids play in the police cars, answer questions, and inform homeowners of preventative measures to help keep you and your family secure.

We have scheduled a food truck for National Night Out: Kona Ice. The food truck will be set up in the regular spot on South Field Way. Come get a refreshing treat from the Kona Ice food truck and take some time to thank our Littleton Police Officers for keeping TrailMark safe.

More Upcoming Events on the next page

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

TRAILMARK ADULT NIGHT OUT



PRESEASON FOOTBALL AT THE MIRAGE

Friday, August 14th

4:30 pm

Mirage Sports Bar

8340 W Coal Mine Ave, Littleton

Visit with your neighbors in a cool, air-conditioned restaurant and watch the Denver Broncos play their first preseason game of the season against the Atlanta Falcons. The game begins at 5:00 pm.

Mirage Sports Bar will be reserving a special section for TrailMark. We will all be in the same area, and Mirage will be giving us each separate checks.

The fun begins at 4:30 p.m. Open to all TrailMark residents, friends and family! This is a great way to meet your fellow neighbors over some bar food, drinks and football. See you there!

save the date Future Social Event
dates to remember

September 3 – Food Truck Thursday
September 12 – Movie in the Park
September 17 – Food Truck Thursday

Visit trailmark.org for more details.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
150 years old

FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS



Photo by Linda Jagiello

Thursdays, August 6th & 20th

5:00-7:30 pm

S Field Way by 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.

TRAILMARK CONCERT IN THE PARK



DARLING REVIVAL

Sunday, August 23rd

5:30-7:30 pm

Hogback Hill Park

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 LB Tacos 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.

Date, band and food truck are subject to change.

- If you have content that you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please contact communications@trailmark.org with a draft copy for approval.
- If you would like to volunteer for any event, please contact the [social committee](mailto:social@trailmark.org) with the name of the event and we will send you the sign-up information.
- If you or someone you know would prefer to have a paper newsletter delivered to them monthly, please email communications@trailmark.org.