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January 2019

TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter

January Calendar

1/1 - TrailMark News Update

1/1 - Quarterly Assessments Due

1/2 - Special Garbage Pick-up Day

1/10 - HOA Meeting

1/15 - TMMD Meeting

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Night at the Lights event a TrailMark favorite

Many thanks to the Social Committee and their volunteers for putting together another wonderful holiday event for TrailMark! The participation from TrailMark residents was amazing with over 700 residents and guests!



Photos:

Deahna Visscher
(top left, bottom left, bottom right)

Eric Siegler
(top right)

From the Management Company

Please take note that changes have been made in how your dues will be invoiced for the TrailMark HOA. In recent years, coupon books were mailed to the homeowners who do not participate in ACH, to make their quarterly payments. In an effort to help improve efficiency and keep homeowners up to date on their balance with the HOA, your Board of Directors has agreed to let the management company issue quarterly invoices to each home. If you are on ACH, you will still receive an invoice to notify you of the withdrawal; you do not need to take action on the notice. If you wish to take part in ACH payments, please contact the management company. Thank you all for a wonderful year, and we are looking forward to an incredible 2019!



Join Us



www.trailmark.org

TrailMark Holiday Lights Contest winners

Congratulations to our TrailMark Holiday Lights contest winners! Our top three displays ran a very tight race!

1st place

The Linser Family (58 votes)

\$100 Amazon gift card

Sponsored by [Colorado Home Finder Realty](#)



2nd place

Ron Schmid (57 votes)

\$50 Amazon gift card

Sponsored by [Crave Nutrition](#)



3rd place

The Williams Family (50 votes)

\$25 Amazon gift card

Sponsored by [CT Solutions](#)



Votes were taken from the "likes" of the HOA Facebook posts, and email votes that were sent in. Thank you everyone for your participation!

The City of Littleton and South Suburban make Christmas Tree Recycling easy and environmentally friendly

As the holidays come to a close and Christmas trees drop their needles, recycle your tree and help beautify the community. Upcycle your Christmas tree into useful mulch!

The City of Littleton and South Suburban Parks and Recreation (SSPR) will offer free Christmas tree recycling at two locations from December 26 through January 14. Locations include South Suburban's Willow Spring Service Center, 7100 South Holly Street in Centennial and Cornerstone Park, 5150 South Windermere Street (corner of West Bellevue Avenue and South Windermere Street).

Littleton residents can drop off their tree seven days a week from sunrise to sunset in Cornerstone's parking lot, adjacent to the soccer fields, or at the Willow Spring Service Center in the designated enclosure by the front gate.

All decorations need to be removed from the tree, including lights, ornaments, garland, tinsel and stands. If the tree is wrapped in a plastic bag, it must be removed at drop-off. Flocked or artificial trees and yard refuse will not be accepted. **Most trash and waste removal companies do not accept Christmas trees**, so residents are encouraged to take advantage of this free program.

The trees will be mulched and used in landscaping throughout the City of Littleton and SSPR. The mulch is available weekdays, 7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Willow Spring site. Mulch is available from the City of Littleton throughout the year at the Northwest corner of South Prescott Street and West Prentice Avenue. Residents are responsible for loading and are encouraged to bring bags or trash cans and a shovel or pitchfork. Call South Suburban at 303-721-8478 or the City of Littleton at 303-795-3863 for more information.

There is also Christmas tree recycling at Kipling, just south of C470.

HOA 2018 Accomplishments

As 2018 has drawn to a close, the HOA Board would like to provide homeowners with some accomplishments for 2018. It was a very busy year and your board and committees have worked, on your behalf, to enhance your living experience in TrailMark. While not an all-inclusive list of accomplishments, here is a short summary:

HOA Board

- Moved several bank accounts to money market accounts, to optimize interest opportunities on the Association's money;
- In the interests of maintaining consistent aesthetics throughout the community, improved compliance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations, as well as TrailMark's bylaws and covenants through community inspections and follow-up, and homeowner education;
- Updated and improved policies governing TrailMark – Collection Policy; Enforcement Policy;
- In response to numerous homeowner information requests, transitioned to quarterly invoices, instead of coupons;
- Implemented new trash service to include free trash cans and sustainability reporting provided by Alpine Waste;
- Met with City of Littleton officials to resolve and/or discuss several community issues: Front entrance electrical issues; street repairs; variance processing; etc.;
- Implemented UPS Holiday Delivery Program to minimize the number of UPS trucks traversing TrailMark daily;
- In response to news of the potential sale of the SHEA property located at our front entrance, initiated the TrailMark Development Advocacy Committee (TDAC) who conducted a survey and met with City officials, the potential buyer and architect, to exchange information relevant to the proposed project. The proposed project was terminated but the property continues to be on the market. The TDAC remains active in response.

Social Committee

- We enjoyed our annual traditions of the Easter Egg Hunt, Concerts in the Park, 4th of July Bike Parade, Pirate's Cove Night, and the Corn Maze;
- A couple new events were introduced in 2018: Skate City Night and the TrailMark 5K/Family Fun Run. Both events will be back in 2019;
- We were thrilled with the return of Night at the Lights at Chatfield Botanic Gardens! Participation was amazing with over 700 residents and guests!

The Social Committee loves planning fun events for all and hope you enjoyed 2018! If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer at an event, sponsor an event or join the committee, please email at social@trailmarkhoa.org.

Communications Committee

- The Communications Committee continues to keep TrailMark residents informed by maintaining the TrailMark website (<https://www.trailmark.org/>), creating and sending out a monthly newsletter and updating the "Facebook HOA" and "NextDoor.com" social media pages;
- The committee also managed the TrailMark Holiday Lights contest including its sponsorship by several TrailMark businesses.

Design Review Committee

- As usual, the DRC was very busy conducting 21 meetings and reviewing approximately 115 requests;
- In concert with the HOA Board and anticipating the need for driveway replacement, published an installation/replacement driveway policy;
- In concert with the HOA Board, passed a garage door standard which adheres to TrailMark's planning and design philosophy of consistent, quality, and design expression throughout the community;
- The DRC continued progress with the project to provide new, updated exterior paint combinations for the community.

Common Area Committee (CAC)

- Continued work with the City of Littleton to repair and maintain the electrical service at the front entrance;
- Provided holiday decorations at the front entrance;
- Initiated the phased TrailMark landscaping plan by installing new plantings at the front entrance which includes more perennials to make the entrance more attractive for longer periods of time;
- Submitted a new landscaping plan to attend to the medians along TrailMark Parkway and Independence.

The HOA Board wishes to extend our thanks to all homeowners, residents and volunteers who strive to keep TrailMark a quality, attractive community by volunteering for our committees, attending our many events, and adhering to the covenants and guidelines. This is what makes TrailMark a vibrant, beautiful community! May we wish you all a wonderful, healthy, and prosperous 2019! See you around the neighborhood.

YOU'RE INVITED TO FALCON BLUFFS!



FUTURE FALCON NIGHT

Please join us on January 16th to learn more about Falcon Bluffs Middle School. Learn from students, parents, teachers, counselors, and administrators about the exciting opportunities provided for students. Tour the building and find out why Falcon Bluffs is *"Soaring with Pride"*.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Teacher/Staff panels
- Student panels
- Building tours
- Classroom demonstrations
- Q&A
- Have some fun!

LOGISTICS:

- When:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm
January 16, 2019
- Where:** Falcon Bluffs Middle School
8449 S. Garrison St
Littleton 80128
- Who:** Developed for our incoming 6th grade students next year (Current 5th graders) but **all** grade levels are welcome!

Pet Safety reminder

The crew of Engine 19 rescued a dog that fell through the ice at a pond in TrailMark. Please keep your dogs leashed around icy water. If you see an animal in distress, never enter the water to attempt a rescue. Dial 911 and trained, properly equipped firefighters will respond.

Posted on Facebook by Littleton Fire Rescue - December 14, 2018

HOA Assessments Due January 1st

As a reminder, HOA Assessments are due January 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Kelly at Community Resource Services.

TrailMark HOA Board

Garbage pick-up delayed to January 2nd

TrailMark's garbage & recycling pick-up will be delayed from Tuesday, January 1st to Wednesday, January 2nd due to the New Year's holiday.



<https://alpinewaste.com/>

HOA Board Meeting

Thursday, January 10th
7:00 pm
Fire Station 19

All are welcome.

TMMD Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 15th
6:30 pm
TrailMark Learning Center, 9743 S Carr Way

TrailMark Skate Night

Wednesday, February 27th
6:00-8:00 pm

[Skate City](#), 5801 S Lowell Way, Littleton

\$3/person - CASH ONLY

