



November 2017

TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter

November Calendar

11/1 - TrailMark News Update

11/9 - TMMD/HOA Annual Meeting

11/24-11/26 - TrailMark Discount Weekend at Santa's Village at Chatfield Farms

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TMMD / HOA Annual Meetings: Thursday, November 9th

Please remember that the Annual TMMD and HOA Board meetings of the Members will be held on November 9, 2017. The meeting will be held at the Fire Station. Meeting check-in starts at 6:30pm, followed by the TMMD meeting at 7:00 pm and the HOA Board Meeting at 7:30 pm. The Board will have two (2) vacancies and we are looking for people to run for the open Board positions. Please contact the [Property Manager](#) if you are interested. Also, we need proxies! Proxies were mailed out mid-October ([click here for proxy](#)). Make sure you send your proxies in if you are unable to attend the meeting.

New Policies Proposed

Two new draft policies are up for review:

[TrailMark Committee Policy \(draft\)](#)

[TrailMark Communications Policy \(draft\)](#)

The Board of Directors is working hard to ensure the operations of the HOA are as efficient as possible. The proposed policies will affect the operation of the Board and the HOA Committees. However, the Board wants to ensure the community has time to review these policies before formal action is taken. Please contact the [management company \(CRS\)](#) with any questions.

Elections - 2017

LOCAL ELECTIONS HAVE LOCAL CONSEQUENCES. YOUR VOTE CAN AFFECT TRAILMARK!

Please, study the candidates and the issues. Vote November 7th or submit via mail. Mail-in ballots should be mailed **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST** to ensure they are received and counted. Ballot Drop Box locations are at Columbine Library and Jeffco South Service Center (on Bradford), open 24 hours through Monday, November 6, and until 7:00 pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 7.

THANKS!

Board Members

President

Sally Janssen

Vice President

Michael Penny

Secretary

Julie Devin

Treasurer

Sandy Farish

Member at Large

Amy Howard

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Friendly Neighborhood Reminder...

As weather moves into the area and winds pick up, please remember your neighbors. Simple items become forces of nature when the winds whip through the area and we want to ensure everyone is safe!

Tarred & TP'd

Yes, we know – TrailMark streets are unsightly with the recent community-wide application of toilet paper on our streets. What a mess! However, there is method to the madness the City of Littleton brought to us.

Here's the explanation:

“Crack Sealing is a very important preventative maintenance technique routinely used on asphalt streets to prolong the life of the pavement. Sealing cracks in our pavements helps to prevent water intrusion into the roadway base which is a primary cause of pavement failure.” A street crack will fill with water which can then freeze and expand to produce potholes and/or wider cracks. To prevent this condition, the City will close a street section and will seal the cracks with tar. The tar takes about 40 minutes to dry enough so it doesn't splatter and stick to passing traffic tires and shoes. The 40 minutes is down time for workers, as they wait for the sealant to cool and dry before moving to the next stretch of street where the process is repeated. It's time consuming thus slowing the process of repairing streets city-wide.

Enter the toilet paper (TP) technique. The use of toilet paper isn't a new technique, but cities generally resist it – largely out of fear of getting complaints about its appearance. However, the City gets many more streets repaired using the technique. Applied with a paint roller, the single-ply toilet tissue absorbs the oil from freshly laid tar as the tar dries, keeping it from sticking to tires and shoes. The biodegradable paper breaks down and disappears in a matter of days, with traffic and rain and/or snow. Thus, the process allows repair crews to cover many more miles of road in a shorter period of time, is cost effective, and greatly minimizes the potential for tar splatter on cars, people, bikes, and tires.

So, TrailMark – let's give this new technique a chance and see how it goes. Yes, it isn't attractive and it has created litter, but it reportedly extends the life of our streets, and helps prevent unsightly potholes. The City is tentatively planning to undertake additional pavement preservation work in TrailMark next summer with either a slurry seal or chip seal application. The HOA will work with the City on future street applications, and will keep you informed. More information will be provided as we receive it.



Photo by Linda Jagiello

TrailMark Neighbor of the Month

Congratulations to our October "Neighbor of the Month" winners! They were nominated by TrailMark residents for the following:

Chris and Carrie Classen - for their original Halloween display.

Kelly Kidd Swickard and family - for their fun Halloween display.

Thank you for all you do!

This concludes “TrailMark Neighbor of the Month.” Thanks to everyone for your participation!

TMMD/HOA Annual Board Meeting

Thursday, November 9th
Fire Station 19, 8490 W TrailMark Pkwy

- 6:30 pm
Check-in
- 7:00 pm
TMMD Special Meeting & Budget Hearing
HOA Annual Board Meeting

All are welcome.

TrailMark Christmas Celebration with Santa

Wednesday, December 13th
5:00-8:30 pm at TrailMark Park

Come join us for an evening with Santa, horse drawn wagon rides, hot cocoa or apple cider, and cookies.

- Carriage rides from 5:00pm-8:00pm. The horse drawn wagon seats 18-20 people and the line will start at the bridge on S. Field Way. The route is S. Field Way to S. Flower Ct. to W. Freiburg Pl. back to the bridge on S. Field Way. Remember to bring blankets to keep warm during the ride and bring your best carols to sing.
- Santa will be there from 5:00pm-8:30pm, available at the playground pavilion for pictures and Christmas wish lists.

Supplies needed on loan for the night: a 10x10 tent, portable space heaters, portable campfire pits, and any blow up Christmas decorations. Volunteers needed to help set up and take down 10x10 tents, monitor cookies, keep the drinks flowing, stoke the fire pits, and clean up. Please contact the social committee at social@trailmarkhoa.org and Deahna_Visscher@yahoo.com.

TrailMark Discount Weekend at Santa's Village

Friday-Sunday, November 24-26, 4:30-8:30 pm
Denver Botanical Gardens Chatfield Farms, 8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Rd

Formerly known as TrailMark Night at the Lights, [Santa's Village](#) will be giving TrailMark residents member pricing of \$15 per person on the weekend of November 24-26 from 4:30 to 8:30 pm.



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