



January 2018

# TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter

## January Calendar

**1/1 - TrailMark News Update**

**1/1 - HOA Assessments Due**

**1/3 - Garbage Pick-up Day**

Delayed from January 2nd

**1/11 - HOA Board Meeting**

**1/16 - TMMD Regular Meeting**

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## Board Members

**Board Member**

Sally Janssen

**Board Member**

Michael Penny

**Board Member**

Amy Howard

**Board Member**

Mary Kreeger

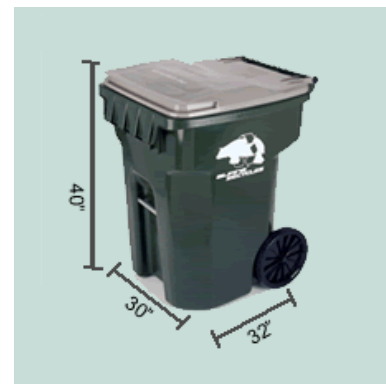
**Board Member**

Kim Gritzmaker

Email the HOA Board:  
[board@trailmarkhoa.org](mailto:board@trailmarkhoa.org)

## Changes to Trash & Recycling

As many of you have seen and heard, the trash service will be experiencing some changes in the coming months. The pick-up day and the company will stay the same, but the way they pick up the trash is changing. There will be a new, side-load type of truck. The new truck is more efficient and leaves the area cleaner than the current, rear-load type of truck. The new truck requires that all trash be inside a container/cart. This is because the truck has automated arms on the side of the truck that picks up the trash cart and empties it into the truck. These arms cannot pick up bags or loose trash. There is also not an open area in which the driver can pick up items and throw them in the truck. **This is important to note as any loose trash will be left and not picked up.** This change does not mean that you cannot get large items or extra trash picked up. Homeowners will need to call Alpine Waste & Recycle and schedule a pick-up of these items. The goal of this change is to ensure our rates stay low and we allow Alpine to efficiently service the neighborhood and to ensure the area stays clear of loose and blowing trash. Recently, complaints have been received about trash bags that have been torn apart by animals and trash scattered everywhere. By making sure all trash is inside of a container, the neighborhood will stay cleaner and less trash will be blowing around the property. At this time, recycle services are not changing. While we aim to make the same change in recycle eventually, this service currently will remain the same. It is important to always try and place trash and recycling into a closed container to ensure cleanliness around the neighborhood.



[Alpine Waste & Recycling](#) has offered to provide a 95-gallon trash cart to each homeowner. They will deliver these carts to your home, free of charge. This is often a \$100 expense to homeowners that Alpine is giving the community for free. The carts are an important part of the change to the service. If the trash is not in a container, the truck cannot pick it up! To date, we have not received the exact timeframe of these changes or the timeframe for the cart delivery. If you currently have a trash cart you are using, you have options. You can make the one that is delivered, or the one that you already have, into a recycle container. The management company will be receiving stickers that will designate containers as recycle. Once these are received, the management company can distribute them to homeowners who wish to make one of their containers into a recycle container.

Once we have more information, we will continue to communicate and send notices as quickly as possible. These notices can be found on the TrailMark website, the TrailMark newsletter, and the Annual Compliance mailing that is sent to each homeowner within the first 90 days of 2018. We will make sure that many attempts at communication are made to provide adequate information regarding this service. If you have any questions, please contact the property management team at 303-381-4960.



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# Christmas Celebration a Spectacular Success

On behalf of the entire neighborhood, a very special thank you to Deahna Visscher who organized the TrailMark Christmas Night with Santa event last night (Dec 13th). Deahna recognized a need after the Chatfield Botanic Gardens changed their holiday offerings and TrailMark would no longer have the annual Night of Lights event. She worked tirelessly to orchestrate a visit from Santa, arranged horse-drawn wagon rides through the neighborhood, and provided hot chocolate and apple cider with holiday cookies. In the spirit of the season, neighbors provided warming fire pits, holiday blow-ups, and help with all the goodies. It was a spectacular success!!

To Deahna, the volunteers who pitched in to make the event a success, and the many families who participated in the activities, a heartfelt thank you!

*Photos by Deahna Visscher*



## A HUGE Thank You



The HOA Board would like extend a HUGE thank you to Rick Handley and Randy Pabst from the Common Area Committee for working tirelessly to get the damaged electrical lines at the front entrance fixed so that we could enjoy our holiday lights. Upon flipping the switch for the lights this season, we learned that there was a significant electrical problem. Rick and Randy worked with the City of Littleton and an electrician to get the lights working. On Friday, December 8th, they flipped the switch again and success!! We think the front entrance looks wonderful and are so thankful to both Rick

and Randy for making it happen. THANK YOU FROM THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY!!!

*Photo by Eric Siegler*

## TrailMark Holiday Lights Contest Winners

Thank you to everyone who participated in the TrailMark Holiday Lights contest on our [Facebook page](#)!

The winners:

**1st place:** \$100 to **The Williams Family** (62 votes)

**2nd place:** \$50 to **The Linser Family** (59 votes)

**3rd place:** \$25 to **The Siegler Family** (53 votes)

Congratulations! Our neighborhood looked very festive!



1st Place



2nd Place



3rd Place

In response to a growing number of poop piles, and a growing number of citizen complaints, the Jefferson County Animal Control office has partnered with local park districts and homeowner associations to bring you this public service announcement.

## Myth of the Poop Fairy

[\(click here\)](#)

### Garbage Pick-up Delayed to January 3rd

TrailMark's garbage & recycling pick-up will be delayed from Tuesday, January 2nd to Wednesday, January 3rd due to the New Year holiday.

<https://alpinewaste.com/>



### 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, 303-381-4980.

***Please note: The dues have increased to \$110 per quarter.***

*TrailMark HOA Board*

### HOA Board Meeting

Thursday, January 11th

7:00 pm

Fire Station 19

All are welcome.

### TrailMark Skate Night

Wednesday, February 28th

6:30-8:30 pm

Skate City, 5801 S Lowell Way, Littleton

\$3/person



### TMMD Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 16th

6:30 pm

TrailMark Learning Center, 9743 S Carr Way