



Tracks

A Publication of the TrailMark HOA—A Covenant Controlled Community

JUNE 2008



**HEAR YE,
HEAR YE!!!
ALL TRAILMARK
RESIDENTS**

**THIS ISSUE IS A KEEPER.
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS
ALL THE FUN &
EXCITEMENT THIS
SUMMER !!!**

LARGE ITEM PICKUP DAY IS SATURDAY - JUNE 14TH!

This is your opportunity to get rid of items that Canyon Waste doesn't usually pick up on a regular basis. **You must have your large items ready for pick up on Saturday morning, June 14th, by 7:30 am in the morning.**

Acceptable items include tables, chairs, lawn furniture, dishwashers, dryers, electronics, **small amounts** of landscape debris including wood or drywall. **Items that will not be picked up include** refrigerators, freezers, water coolers, windows, entire yards of sod, excessive amounts of remodeling debris, bricks, rocks or concrete.



So get those projects done and the remaining small amounts of debris out for Canyon Waste to eliminate from the side of your house or the containers that you would like to use for regular trash again. Thank you Canyon Waste for beautifying our neighborhood and letting us get on to our next project!



WWW.TRAILMARKHOA.ORG

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P.O. Box 270566
Littleton, CO 80127**

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Beth Lovato, CMCA, AMS

**Sherm Stead is now an
official member of the
TrailMark Metro Board.**

A Roundup

Littleton City Council to hold a Study Session on Emergency Medical Response Times

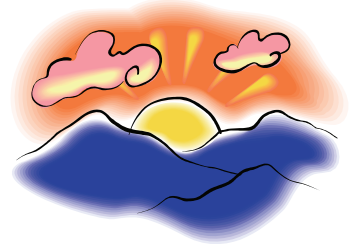


There will be a meeting of the Littleton City Council regarding the Emergency Medical Response Plan that was put into action a year ago by the Council. The study session will examine the trial plan to staff the Blakeland Station at Santa Fe and C-470 full-time. The Fire Chief will provide statistics as to number of calls to TrailMark and other neighborhoods and the response times of those calls. This trial plan was adopted by the Council to lessen the response times to TrailMark and Highlands Ranch neighbors. The Study Session will be on June

10th at 7:00 pm at the Littleton Council Building, 2255 West Berry Avenue in Littleton. This meeting is a Council discussion and not an open forum. Citizens can come to listen but are not able to address the Council at this particular meeting.

Debbie Brinkman, Council Representative for District 4, visits the TrailMark HOA and the Star Canyon HOAs

Our own Littleton District 4 Council Representative visited the HOA meetings to bring neighbors up to date on business and recreational developments in the City of Littleton. The **Ensor Property** at Santa Fe and Mineral has been owned by the family for many decades. They own 180 of the 230 acres of open land on the southwest side of that intersection. It has been up for sale but so far no developer has contracted the land. There was speculation that RTD would purchase some of the land but RTD has declined. The **Marathon Oil** land development at Broadway and Dry Creek is on hold. **South Suburban** has purchased 10 acres behind the Meadowwood Trailer Courts to build a boat access and parking for the Platte River. **Riverside Downs**, located at Belleview and Santa Fe, has been built and is open for business. It includes an Office Depot, Starbucks, Jimmy Johns, Celtic Tavern, Anthony's Pizza, 24 Hour Fitness and many other businesses to open soon. There is access to the shopping area from the bike/walking path on the Platte River. Property on the southeast side of Belleview and Santa Fe is scheduled to break ground and build residential condos and townhomes sometime this summer. **River's Edge**, which is behind Aspen Grove, was slated for townhomes built by McStain. However, due to the downturn in the economy, they have pulled out at this time. Lastly, you may have noticed that the **Platte River Reservoir** is filling. This was once the gravel pits and is owned by Centennial Water and will provide water for Highlands Ranch. Access is on Platte Canyon with parking on the south side of the reservoir. There is a trail and places for viewing wildlife and beautiful sunsets!



Blair Leasure, from Iris Mitigation and the TrailMark Metro Board Biologist, is working on our ponds this summer!



Fairview Reservoir #1, Pond A and Pond G will receive grass carp this week to help with algae control. Fairview Reservoir #2 (aka Beaver Pond) has had its first spraying for duckweed and will have a solar aerator installed in June. There will be a cleaning and repairing of the trash baskets on the ponds as well as removal of some Russian Olives and other noxious weeds this summer.

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Neighbors are encouraged to watch very carefully what they send down their driveways and property into the storm sewers. **The health of our ponds are the direct result of neighbors who are watchful of the pollutants that they do not discharge into those storm sewers.** Scott Klarich, an environmental protection specialist with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's Water Quality Control Division, said, "Swimming and hot tub chemicals, such as chlorine, bromine or copper-containing compounds, are harmful to fish and aquatic life and must be prevented from entering streams, rivers, ponds or lakes. Harm can occur even at levels below the detection limit of the chlorine test kits that homeowners typically use. Chlorine as low as 0.011 parts per million could have adverse effects on fish and aquatic life if released into streams, rivers, ponds or lakes." Klarich said that Coloradans also should be aware that discharging chemical contaminants from swimming pools or hot tubs into state waters, including storm sewers, without a permit is strictly prohibited and may result in a fine. Let's keep our ponds healthy!





JUNE 2008



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 School is out!  Slow Down! Better be safe than sorry...	2	3	4 Design Review Committee Mtg  1st Hot Air Balloon Flight	5 Communications Committee Work Session 	6 Garage Sale  Sponsored by: Lori Ross	7 Garage Sale Sponsored by: Lori Ross
8	9	10 Common Area Committee Mtg  EMT Study Session 7PM	11	12	13	14 Flag Day  BIG ITEM PICKUP 
15 Father's Day HUG YOUR DAD! 	16	17 Metro Mtg 	18 Web Committee Mtg  Design Review Committee Mtg	19	20	21 FUN FEST—SAFETY DAY   1ST DAY OF SUMMER
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 CONCERT: Wendy Woo 5:30pm 	30					

JULY 2008



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Design Review Committee Mtg 	3	4  4th of July Parade & Picnic 	5
6	7	8 Common Area Committee Mtg 	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Design Review Committee Mtg 	17	18	19
20  CONCERT Chris Daniels & The Kings 5:30pm 1st Moon Landing 1969 	21	22	23	24 Amelia Earhart's Birthday 	25 Articles for Newsletter Due 	26
27	28	29 Beatrix Potter's Birthday 	30	31		

WOW, CHECK THIS OUT!



What: Volunteer Recognition Dinner

**When: Saturday, August 16
6 - 9 PM**

**Where: The Soccer Fields on
TrailMark Parkway**

**Who: All current and NEW
Volunteers**

**Why: As a Thank YOU recognition
for your commitment to
our community**

The HOA Board of TrailMark would like to cordially invite all existing and future (yes, you can volunteer tomorrow) 2008 volunteers to a Recognition Dinner. The Board believes that TrailMark is a wonderful community that has flourished based on the involvement within the community and through its volunteers. We would like to celebrate with a nice catered event for all adult volunteers and a guest.

The strength of any community is often built on its volunteers (many of which are never recognized). We believe that the future of this community will continue to be strong and flourish based on the creativity and commitment of these individuals. All in all, we still have many opportunities for people to participate (and would appreciate more participation) since we always have a need for fresh and new ideas and can use the diverse expertise and creativity of those living amongst us.

To volunteer or gather more information about our neighborhood, please check out our website at www.trailmarkhoa.org. You are also always invited to say hello, or get involved, at one of our public bimonthly HOA Board Meetings. Our existing volunteer committees consist of the Common Area, Communication/Newsletter, Community Center, Covenant Control, Design & Review, Finance, Safety and Social Committees. Each is unique in its own way and serves a very specific purpose for your community. Email contact information is also available directly from the website.

Remember, there are many ways we can improve and sustain TrailMark. Please volunteer, make a difference, meet your neighbors and have fun doing it!

This will be the first of two announcements with more details to follow. See you in August.

Sincerely,
Your HOA Board of Directors



VOLUNTEER TODAY!

BARKING DOGS

Over this past year, it has come to the attention of many homeowners that we have a dog barking problem. This is probably due to homeowners leaving their dogs outside during the day and assuming they don't bark or bother anyone. ***This is not always the case***, and the problem is only going to get worse as the weather gets nicer and more people are outside. There is nothing more annoying than sitting out on your deck/patio and trying to enjoy a summer evening only to have it interrupted by a continuously barking dog. If you have to be gone and have to leave your dog outside, have someone be responsible for letting you know if your dog is barking. Better your neighbor tell you than someone from Animal Control. If you need to complain about a neighbor's dog, call Animal Control 303-794-1551.



HOW CAN YOU STOP THAT BARKING?

Dogs left alone all day get bored and restless, and many find relief in barking. Some respond noisily to any and all activity. But, nothing is as annoying as incessant barking—even for dog lovers. If your dog is a yapper or a yowler, please consider some of these bark-abatement ideas to keep the noise down in your area. Your neighbors will thank you!

Training. Always the first recommendation for any behavioral problem! Help is as close as the Yellow Pages. Training not only helps your dog, you'll be surprised how much it helps you, too. You may get some insight into *why* your dog barks so much, or what it is trying to communicate.

Citronella collars. A humane alternative to the electric-shock, anti-barking collar and costs about the same. Available on the web and in pet stores.

Confinement. Sometimes simply bringing an outspoken dog indoors or confining it to a crate can cut down on the disturbance to neighbors.

Reduce stimulus. Close drapes to help muffle street noise, or leave a radio on to mask it. Disconnect telephones and doorbells before leaving your home if they upset your dog or make it bark.

Companionship. Dogs are pack animals; they need companionship—a cat, bird, or another dog. Consider a mid-day visit from a pet-sitting service, or drop your pooch off at a friend's place or a day-care facility once or twice a week.

BURGLARIZING AT AN ALL TIME HIGH

A TrailMark resident recently received a phone call from their son telling them that he had left his garage door open one night and the next morning discovered his car doors were open. There were several things missing from his car, including a laptop. A group of 15 - 16 year old boys who live in Lakewood were responsible for the theft. They were caught 2 days later.

According to police, this is happening all over the Denver Metro area. *Lesson to be learned:* make sure your garage door is closed each night and that the inside door into your house is locked. Also, be a good neighbor and watch for open doors. If you notice your neighbors garage door is open, give them a call... no matter what time of day it is.



Dealing with Your Wild Neighbors



They howl at all hours of the night; they stroll along the walkways by the park, sometimes even in mid-afternoon; they sun themselves by the baseball field and even beg for food at our back doors. Who are these wild neighbors? Early risers and night owls can tell you they're the fearless coyotes, foxes and raccoons that have moved into the neighborhood. Seeing them from a distance can be awesome. And they do help keep the insect, rodent and reptile population down. But hungry coyotes and foxes will attack pets. And those resourceful raccoons will get into your garbage and eat their way through screens, wood, and most every other kind of chewable material to get to food, whether it's in or out of the house. Here's what you can do to keep them from getting too close.



- Don't feed them. People who throw scraps to raccoons, coyotes, foxes and squirrels embolden them to move in.
- Don't throw your household trash into the trash cans at the park. The scent of meat, eggs, fruit or vegetables can draw the animals further and further into the neighborhood.
- Don't leave your garage door open or unattended, especially at night. Raccoons have made their way into garages through very slight openings and clawed their way through bags of pet food.
- Keep pet food inside or tightly sealed. If you feed your pet outside, wash the bowl right after feeding to get rid of the scent.
- Eliminate any scent of food from your garage and around your house. Even a trace of food can attract the animals.
- Keep trash in tightly closed plastic or metal containers, and don't put your trash out before pick-up day.
- Follow the leash laws. Coyotes and foxes see loose dogs as challengers and will attack them. When your dog is outside, stay outside with him/her, especially at night, which is when coyotes and foxes tend to hunt.
- Keep an eye on your cat. Foxes sometimes will attack cats that are left outside.
- If you encounter a Mountain Lion, **stay calm**. Talk calmly yet firmly to it. Move slowly. **Stop or back away slowly**, if you can do it safely. Running away may stimulate a lion's instinct to chase and attack. Face the lion and stand upright. **Do all you can to appear larger** by raising your arms and opening your jacket (if you have one). If you have small children with you, protect them by picking them up so they won't panic and run. If the lion is acting aggressive, throw stones, branches or whatever you can get your hands on without crouching down or turning your back. Wave your arms slowly and speak firmly. You are trying to convince the lion you are not prey and that in fact may be a danger to the lion. If all else fails and the lion attacks, **FIGHT BACK**. Lions have been driven away by prey that fights back. People have fought back with rocks, sticks, caps, jackets, garden tools and their bare hands successfully. Remain standing or try to get back up!

➤ Raccoons and skunks like to have their babies under porches and decks. If you suspect a mama raccoon or skunk has settled under your deck, put flour near the entrance to her den and check for footprints after 10:00 P.M. If you find some night after night, you may be able to drive mama out with methods that would work on most humans: Tie a string to a cloth soaked in ammonia, and stuff the cloth into the entrance; or, advises the Colorado Division of Wildlife, try pushing a portable radio into the entrance and send the raccoons running (perhaps with a bit of teen music?). Also, leave your outside lights on. After you try this, test your success by checking for tracks in flour again. If a few nights go by with no tracks, you're in luck. Seal up the opening, quick. If you still find tracks, call in a professional pest-control company. **It is illegal to use leg-hold traps in Colorado.** If you notice an injured animal, do not approach it or try to pick it up. Instead call the Division of Wildlife. **Note: It is against the law to keep wildlife without a permit.**



Source: Colorado Division of Wildlife
(www.wildlife.state.co.us) 303-297-1192



Living with Snakes

In our neighborhood, there are many snake species. Most species do not pose a threat to human beings and, in fact, provide benefits. The Western Rattlesnake is common in our area and poisonous. The more we know about the snakes in our neighborhood, the better we can live with them. Some of the most common snakes in our neighborhood are listed below:

Western Rattlesnakes

These snakes are common throughout our part of Colorado. They eat mice, rats, prairie dogs, squirrels, rabbits, and birds. When confronted by humans, they rarely flee; but rather coil and rattle to warn aggressors. Even young rattlesnakes can bite and release venom. If bitten, stay calm, keep the wound lower than your heart and seek medical help.



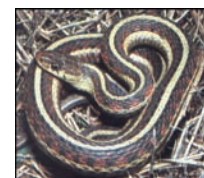
Bull Snakes

While Bull Snakes resemble the Western Rattlesnake that is in our area, it is non-poisonous and eats mice, rats, large bugs and ground-nesting birds, lizards, and the young of other snakes (including rattlesnakes!). When confronted by humans, bull snakes generally flee. However, when escape is not possible, Bull Snakes mimic rattlesnakes, but are non-venomous and they do not have rattles!



Garter Snakes

Garter Snakes are small and common throughout North America. They generally have stripes running the length of their body. They eat worms, insects, amphibians, rodents, and frogs. Food is swallowed whole.



Remember, most snakes in our neighborhood pose no danger to human beings.

In Remembrance of William Henry Flenner

We, the residents of Star Canyon Patio Homes have heavy hearts as we mourn the loss of our dear friend and neighbor known to us as "Bill". He died of a heart attack while visiting relatives in Delaware on April 27, 2008. He was 67.

He had been a resident of Star Canyon Patio Homes for 5 years and became HOA President, during this last year. He and his wife, Joan, shared 46 years together and raised 4 children... 3 daughters, Tara Buskirk of PA; Holly Seefried of Littleton (TrailMark) and Bethany Stover of VA as well as a son, William "B.J." Flenner of Delaware. He was blessed to be "Grandpa" to 10 grandchildren.

Before coming to retire and live in Littleton, he was employed for 30 years by IBM as a systems and networking engineer and later worked at Penn State University for 11 years. He was passionate about many things and among them were model railroading and genealogies. He attended Foothills Bible Church in Littleton.

His wife, Joan, wishes to convey her overwhelming gratitude for all the caring and love that has been shown her these past few weeks by the most wonderful neighbors and friends she could ever hope for. She feels so very blessed.



Community News

Chatfield State Park

<http://parks.state.co.us/Parks/Chatfield>

Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield

303-973-3705

Open Daily from 9:00-5:00

\$5 per passenger vehicle



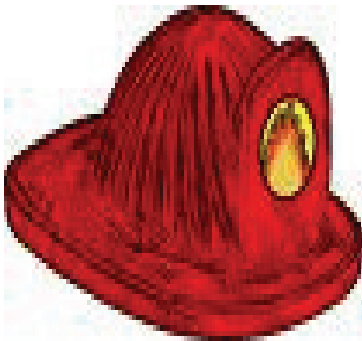


Clean out those Closets, Basements and Garages
It's time for
The Annual TrailMark Garage Sale!!!

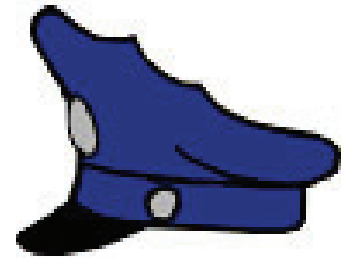
Friday June 6th & Saturday June 7th
8:00 am ~ 4:00pm

Maps will be provided at the Trailmark entrance. To get on the map,
Please contact Lori Ross of Colorado Home Realty & Mortgage
By phone 303-437-463 or email her at: rosslori@juno.com.

Thanks to our neighbor Lori Ross for continuing to sponsor and organize this event!



Fun Fest / Safety Days
June 21st, 2008
TrailMark Athletic Field
1:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm



Meet your neighbors and enjoy activities for the whole family. The Social Committee is teaming up with the Safety Committee again this year to sponsor a Safety Day. The Littleton Fire Department and Police Department are scheduled to be there as well as other fun events.

As always we are looking for volunteers. If you can help please E-mail the social committee social@TrailMarkhoa.org or to the volunteers e-mail volunteers@trailmarkhoa.org.

The Social Committee is always looking for new ideas and events. If you have an idea, please contact the committee at social@trailmark.org. We look forward to hearing from you. Just a reminder that we can't do these events without your help!!! Please VOLUNTEER... we have a lot of fun and it is a great way to meet your neighbors.



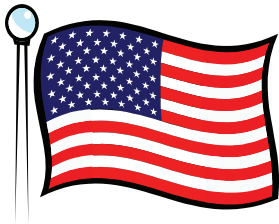
Calling all TrailMark Kids!

Dress Up Your Bikes, Wagons and Scooters
for the Annual TrailMark July 4th Bike Parade.

Meet at the Kids Playground Park at 9:30 on Friday, July 4th for the Parade.

Be Sure to Stay afterward and Enjoy the Fun, Games and Pictures
at the Athletic Field.

*In Honor of Our Nation, American Flags will be Displayed
In Your Community
on the Following Dates:*



*Memorial Day
Flag Day
Independence Day
September 11th
Veterans Day*

This Special Tribute is Compliments of:

Sunny Puckett

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Special thanks to our sponsor Sunny Puckett of Re/Max Professionals, Inc. and Land Title
Guarantee Co. for continuing to sponsor and organize this fun event!

A FANTASTIC LINEUP FOR 2008

TRAILMARK'S CONCERTS IN THE PARK!

Trailmark Social Committee Presents



Concert #1

Sunday June 29th, 2008

WENDY WOO

www.wendywoo.com

5:30 pm @ the TrailMark Athletic Field

Concert #2

Sunday July 20th, 2008CHRIS DANIELS & THE
KINGSwww.chrisdaniels.com

5:30 pm @ the TrailMark Athletic Field



Concert #3

Sunday August 24, 2008

BACK AGAIN TRAILMARK'S OWN

HOT FLASH

Classic Rock -n- Roll

Hotflashband.net

5:00 pm @ the Trailmark Athletic Field

Pack a picnic dinner or bring cash to buy food and
grab a place for your blanket at our
Summer Concert Series.

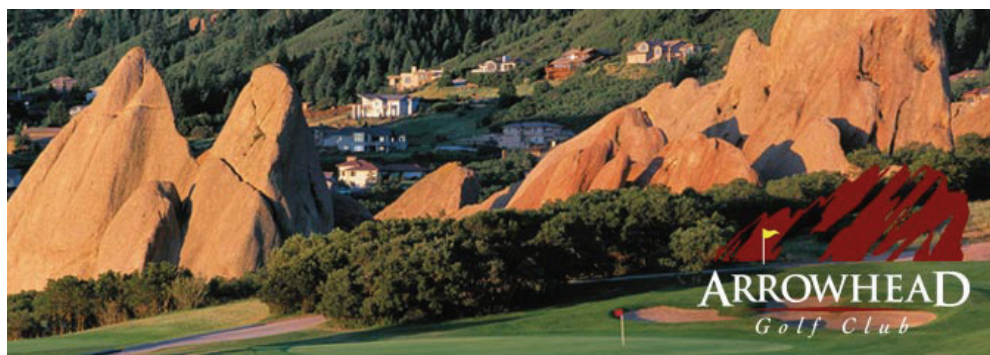




**Third Annual
TrailMark Players' Classic
to benefit
Children's Hospital**



**Arrowhead Golf Club
Friday, September 5, 2008
8:00 am - Shotgun Start**



**Prizes - Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, etc.
Food/Beverage - Barbeque Lunch, Drink Tickets**

WE NEED HOLE SPONSORS - \$150.00

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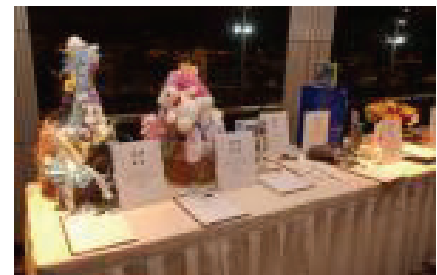
Hole Sponsorships:

Your business or family can sponsor a hole for \$150.00 with 100% of the proceeds going to Children's Hospital.



Prizes: Lowest Score, Longest Drive, Highest Score, Longest Putt etc. Ladies, men & under 18 divisions.

Silent Auction: Great auction items all for the benefit of Children's Hospital.



Help us make this third annual event a success. This is a great way to meet your fellow TrailMark residents and promote your business. Players of all talents are encouraged to attend!



Join in the Fun

Come and join us for the Third Annual TPC, TrailMark Players Classic. This "classic" is sure to be just that!! Players of all abilities are invited to meet their neighbors, trade business cards, and make new friendships. ALL profits from this event will go to Children's Hospital.



Format

Scramble Format. All players tee off on each hole. The best ball is then played in for each subsequent shot. Foursomes will be put together based on your choice (in advance) or our highly trained staff members!

Shotgun Start: Each foursome will start off on a predetermined hole. We will start PROMPTLY at 8:00... AM!

Get a group together, have some laughs, enjoy a day at beautiful Arrowhead Golf Club!



Registration Information

Included: Greens Fee, Cart Fee, Range Balls, Chuckwagon Buffet, 2 Drink Tickets & Prizes.

\$125.00 Per Player - You may register as an individual, twosome, threesome or foursome. All ages welcome !!

Deliver or Mail Your Registration to:

TrailMark Social Committee
C/O Lou Royston
9334 S. Hoyt Ct.
Littleton, CO 80127

ENTRY DEADLINE AUGUST 31, 2008

Further Information

Lou Royston - 303-748-7504
lroyston@prestigerealtygroup.com



TrailMark Players' Classic

Registration

Friday, September 5th 8:00 am Shotgun Start

For the Benefit of Children's Hospital

Option 1 - Enter as a single player. We will set you up in a foursome.

Option 2 - You may enter as a team.

Registration: \$125.00 Per Person

Hole Sponsorship: \$150.00 - Signage will be provided. You provide artwork.

Silent Auction: Individuals, families or your business may contribute an item or service. Minimum Value - \$75.00

Participants

<u>Name & Level (A,B,C,D)</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>	<u>\$ Enclosed</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Hole Sponsorship: _____
SPONSOR NAME

Total Enclosed (checks Only - Payable to: "TrailMark HOA") \$ _____

Please contact Me Regarding the Silent Auction (\$75 Min. Value)

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

"A" Player ~ Shoots in the 70's, can't figure out why he is not in the 60's, takes 10 ft. gimmies.

"B" Player ~ Shoots in the 80's, reads Golf Magazine for tips, has not turned in a score in 4 years.

"C" Player ~ Shoots in the 90's, has 2 putters, a 9 ft. ball retriever and a Rodney Dangerfield golf bag.

"D" Player ~ Shoots in the 100's, has lots of fun, counts every stroke, unlike the A's, B's and C's.

Arrowhead Golf Club - Roxborough Park

Mail or Deliver All Fully Paid Registrations to:

Lou Royston 9334 South Hoyt Court Littleton, CO 80127

Questions: 303-748-7504 or lroyston@prestigeraltygroup.com

More 2008 Social Events!

Read your upcoming newsletters for more announcements! The Social committee is already working on events for the end of the summer and all the way through the holiday season.

*We need volunteers, be sure to sign up today at
social@trailmark.org!*

Saturday, August 23rd
The TrailMark Balloon Festival Breakfast!



Thursday, September 18th
TrailMark's 6th Annual Night at the Corn Maze!



News From the Star Canyon Condominiums

From the Board:

First of all, we would like to thank Chris Bader for his service on the Star Canyon Condominium Board for the past year. Chris' assistance with overseeing building maintenance was invaluable to our community, and his knowledge and assistance will be greatly missed. We do, however, have some good news, in that Kim Hayes (9795 F) has agreed to fulfill the remainder of Chris' term through February 2010. Lynn Ester (9895 G) is also a new board member, elected at our annual meeting, serving a 3 year term. Please welcome Kim and Lynn as they work to support our community.

Although our contractor, Integrity Painting, had to work around some inclement weather this spring, we are pleased to report that painting is complete for buildings 9796, 9816 and 9856. The remaining three buildings, 9815, 9876 and 9896 are scheduled for early next spring.

Thanks go out to Larry Peer for working with our management company. Larry and Ron Hutchison from Caron Realty spent several hours walking the grounds of the Star Canyon condominiums making note of needed maintenance. We will communicate progress in future newsletters and community flyers.

Water Conservation – With warm weather finally approaching, our landscaper will be turning-on the external water to our buildings. Due to the ever increasing water costs, we're asking all homeowners NOT to use this water for the purpose of washing cars. Please use this water access sparingly and please be mindful to turn-off the water completely, immediately after use.

Roof Repairs – Due to high winds throughout the winter months, a roof inspection was performed on all 9 of our buildings. No major issues were found, however, some shingles were missing on several buildings and repairs have been completed.

Stucco Notice – It has been brought to our attention that some homeowners have attached home décor items to the exterior stucco. Please be aware that NO items should be attached to the stucco. Anything, such as a nail, going through the stucco will penetrate the tar paper behind the stucco, and will jeopardize the integrity of the structure.

Landscape Update – Our landscaper started maintenance on our property in early May. Aeration has been completed and the irrigation system is up and running. Also, a pre/post emergent weed killer has been applied along with a fertilizer. At the request of the TrailMark master association, this year we used a new environmentally friendly fertilizer, which is low in phosphorous; has slow releasing nitrogen and is low in potassium.

Waterfall Operation – Due to over-night freezing temperatures in late May, we pushed out the date for turning-on the Star Canyon waterfall. Our landscape contractor has cleaned out the pond area, and by the printing of this newsletter, the waterfall should be operational.

Volunteers Needed! The Star Canyon Condominium community is in need of volunteers! Would you be willing to organize a social event? Or would you be interested in serving on the Reserve Committee? If so, please contact Shelley Sendelbach at 303-888-4955 or s_sendelbach@hotmail.com.

Information submitted by Shelley Sendelbach

Social News:

The ladies (and gentlemen if they wish to participate) of the Condominium Book Group met on May 30, 2008, to discuss *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortensen/David Oliver Relin. In June, they will meet on June 27, 2008, at Betty McGinnis', 9796 W. Freiburg Drive B to discuss *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory. In July, the book choice is *Good in Bed* by Jennifer Weimer. Anyone in the condominiums or greater TrailMark area is welcome to attend. The meetings are scheduled for 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Canasta will be held on June 12, 2008, at Lynn Ester's, 9895 W. Freiburg Drive G, at 6:30 P.M. Because dinner is involved, please telephone (or email lynnester@yahoo.com) Lynn if you would like to attend.

Ladies Bridge (a group composed of ladies from the condominiums as well as the patio homes) will also be held on June 12, 2008, at Susan Zeeb's home, at 9875 S. Iris Ct., at 1 P.M. Please let Susan know if you are interested in playing – wszeeb@earthlink.com.

Star Canyon Patio Homes

FROM THE BOARD

The Spring Information Meeting was held on May 15th. The first order of business was to welcome **Jerry Mastenbrook** as an interim board member and he joins **Lou Zier** and **Jeff Pugh** who has stepped into the position of board president to replace the huge void left by **Bill Flenner**.

Debbie Brinkman, who is a council member for our District (IV), shared some exciting development projects going on in the Littleton area. She informed us of a televised study session which will take place on June 10 beginning at 7:00 on Channel 8 (Comcast) and will be addressing the issues with response times for emergency vehicles specifically to TrailMark. If you have questions for her she can be reached at: 303-734-8315 or dbrinkman@littletongov.org.

The rest of the evening was spent discussing the following: budget (reserves look good), snow removal, fertilizer composition change, shrub replacement (phase 1) and phase 2 taking place later this spring; new reserve study re: siding replacement, stone repair, condo water issues relating to the waterfall, window wells, sprinkling systems, dandelion and weed control, house painting, asphalt project ,and the list goes on. If you were not able to attend this meeting and want information about these issues or any other issues, you need to contact the board; send an email to **Mike Chapman**, mcahpm@associacolorado.com with cc: jpugh@springair.com; louzier@hotmail.com; and (**Jerry**) jobsrus@qwest.net . You can also reach **Mike Chapman** at: 303/232-9200 x244.

Our Community website is: www.associacolorado.com . Click on "Community Websites" & choose Star Canyon. You must set up your account. Your street number is your User Name to register. This website is a good tool to obtain information such as Covenants & Bylaws. Be informed!

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS:

The **Lunch Bunch** finds the neatest places to go for lunch. They always pick places that can accommodate the large group that usually attends as well as being willing to do separate checks. There were 18 at El Senor Sol in April, and their May restaurant was Bistro Magia on S. Zang Street near C-470 and Bowles. The June location is still to be decided so if you have suggestions for dining places, or just want more information, contact **Gabrielle Handley**.

The **Star Canyon Dinner Group** will discontinue dinner in homes for awhile so we can enjoy some eating outside this summer, but that won't start until July 12 and then again on Aug 2 when we get together somewhere in the open space for a potluck BBQ. The group will meet on June 7th at Pan Asia Bistro. What better thing to do to kick-off summer than dining in a wonderful restaurant with good friends and neighbors. If you want to be a part of this experience, let either **Peggy Fitzgerald** or **Gabrielle Handley** know so they can put you on the email list.

The **Star Canyon Book Club** meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month. In May, they discussed the book *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan at Peggy Fitzgerald's house. They will meet, June 10 and will be reviewing *The Illuminator* by Brenda Rickman Vantrease. **Carol Mulligan** will be the hostess. On July 8, they will discuss Erin Hilderbrand's book called, *Barefoot* and Carol **Schaffhauser** is the hostess. Contact **Joy Carlson** for more information.

Bunko (or Zilch/Farkel) is the first Tuesday of each month. Donna Shuford hosted the 12 of us in April; Judy Denbraber had us in May and **Rose Blaylock** will be the hostess for June and **Bev Zier**, for July. **Bev Zier** is the contact person for this activity if you would like to be put on the sub list. You might be the winner of one of the "big" money prizes.

Mah Jongg continues to be the 4th Wed afternoon of the month, 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. Marilyn Hubbard hosted in March and Joan Flenner in April. Shirley Levin had the group in May, **Marilyn Hubbard** and **Joan Flenner** are the ladies to contact for more information. It is such a fun, fun game!

Movie Club is always looking for recommendations for good movies to view together. They try to catch the first showing of the day to get the good ticket prices. Contact **Joan Flenner** or **Karen Milspaugh** for information or movie input.

Men's Breakfast is the 2nd Tuesday morning of each month. Bernie is the contact person. The guys like to try different places each month.

The Walkers meet each morning around 8:00 on Iris Ct. and walk a good 45 minutes. It is great exercise and even greater conversation. If you want to join in.....just come out and walk with them.

School News

School may be out for the summer, but the learning never ends! Here are a few great resources you may want to explore for activities this summer:

www.colorado.parenthood.com

www.kidspages.org

www.coloradokids.com

<http://jefferson.lib.co.us/kidsandteens.html>

If you have new neighbors, please have them contact the schools to get registration information.

Chatfield High School

<http://jeffcoweb.jeffco.k12.co.us/high/chatfield/>

303-982-3670

Opening School Information:

Start of school procedures are changing for next year. The traditional "registration" schedule pickup process will not be done. Instead, all families are asked to use the Payschools program to pay fees for the 2008-2009 school year. That can be done any time before August 4. On that date, schedules will be available through Infinite Campus for those students whose fees have been paid. This will allow families more flexibility with summer schedules.

The other aspects of the registration process will be completed through classes during the first week of school. School pictures for ninth graders will be done during Freshman Orientation on August 12. Pictures for all other students will be taken on August 13. Also on August 13, student information sheets will be collected and students will sign the conduct code agreement.

The only schedule change opportunity will be Friday, August 8. Students can come to school that day or turn in a request form to the counseling office. As always, schedule changes will be done on a space available basis, and making a request does not guarantee a change can be made.

August 12 is the first day of school for freshmen only.

All students will attend starting August 13.

Falcon Bluffs Middle School

<http://jeffcoweb.jeffco.k12.co.us/middle/falconbluffs/>

303-982-9900

Schedule pick up is August 5 & 6

First day of school is August 12

Shaffer Elementary School

<http://sc.jeffco.k12.co.us/education/school/school.php?sectionid=242>

303-982-3901

First day of school is August 12

Do you have a little one who will be entering **kindergarten** in the fall? I am interested in establishing some play groups for neighborhood children who will be in kindergarten next year.

By doing this, we will make sure that our children see some familiar faces when they start school in August. If you're interested, please e-mail me with:

- * your child's name
- * your e-mail address
- * the class your student will be in (AM, PM, or full-day)
- * I will create a group for each of the three classes and send the contact information to families in each of those groups.

Kelly Bergman, kbergman72@earthlink.net



TrailMark Teen Services



This listing is a free service for TrailMark residents. If you would like your name added/deleted/or changed, please email communications@trailmarkhoa.org. Appearance of an individual in this publication does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement by

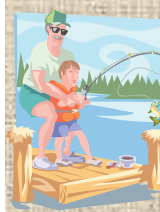
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(B) Babysitting (L) Lawn care

(P) Pet/House sitting (S) Snow removal

DO YOU HAVE AN INFANT, TODDLER, OR PRESCHOOLER?

The TrailMark Playgroup is a great place to socialize your little one while making some friends in the neighborhood! In addition to in-home play dates, our activities include hiking, Mom's Night Out, and visiting local attractions (e.g., Denver Zoo, Denver Aquarium, and Tiny Town). To join, go to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TrailMarkMommies> and click on the blue button that says "Join This Group" or call Linda Fields at 720/212-0884 for more information.



"When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could barely stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years." ~Mark Twain

Happy Father's Day!!!

Classified Advertising

The newsletter committee is excited to announce classified advertising will be back in your bi-monthly newsletter. *The service is for TrailMark residents only and the following rates apply:*

- \$1.00 per line
- Maximum 3 lines (personal ads only)
- Each line has 50 characters maximum
- No enhancements available

Mail payment to: TrailMark HOA, P.O. Box 270566, Littleton, CO 80127. If you choose to e-mail your advertisement, please send to communications@trailmarkHOA.org

TrailMark Tracks Advertising Pricing

The TrailMark Newsletter is a free bi-monthly publication exclusively for the 800 plus residents of the TrailMark HOA.

Rates Per Issue

Business Card Size	3 ½"(w) x 2"(h)	\$25.00
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½ Page	8"(w) x 5"(h)	\$75.00
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(Please note: Effective August 2005, there will be a 2 page ad limitation, which will be decided upon how many requests are received, first come first serve.)

Insert 8 ½" x 11" \$125.00

880 single sheets. Insert to be printed on 20# paper maximum, and supplied by customer for insertion at printers AND MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH IT WILL BE PUBLISHED IN (i.e. Feb 1, April 1, June 1, etc.).

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Do not fax ads, as we cannot guarantee quality of reproduction. All ads must be black and white only, and copy ready.

Advertising copy and inserts must be received no later than the 15th of the month prior to publication, and payment in full must accompany each advertisement.

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Make checks payable to: TrailMark HOA, NO CASH Please

Thank you to all of the TrailMark advertisers for helping to support our community newsletter!!

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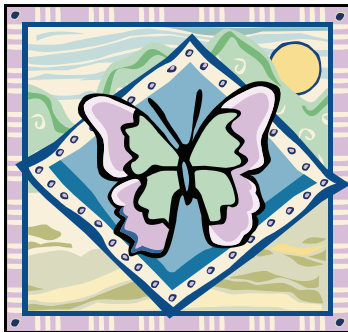
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TRAILMARK HOA MEETINGS

**Meetings are held every other month on the 2nd Thursday
of the month and always at 6:30 P.M.**

July 10, 2008

September 8, 2008

**Meetings are held at the Kinder Care @ TrailMark
9743 S. Carr Way**

*Please remember there are no adult chairs available,
bring your own if you like.*