

TrailMark Tracks

Fall 2015



Littleton Police Reminder
SCHOOL SPIRIT
Fall Events - Corn Maze, etc.

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Fear less, hope more; eat less, chew more; whine less, breathe more; talk less, say more; hate less, love more; and all good things are yours.
~Swedish Proverb

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Community Manager, Melanie Martinez

DON'T MISS IT!!!

**TrailMark Night at
the Corn Maze
September 22 5pm-8pm**



\$2 per person

TrailMark Safety Notice

Report a FIRE or MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

- Call 911
- Tell the operator "West Metro" is your fire district.
- Provide your address. The District cannot get your address from a cell phone.

Report a POLICE Issue:

- Call 911
- Ask for Littleton police.

2015 Newsletters

Please submit your newsletter content and ads to lafilter93@aol.com by the due dates listed at TrailMark.org to avoid delays.

Reminders will be sent out 2 weeks prior to the publication date. Content is due November 13th for the November 23rd target publication date of the holiday newsletter.



SLOW DOWN!!!!

School is in session which means children are walking to and from the bus stops. Take your time, yield to all signage and crosswalks, and watch for kids. Keep TrailMark Safe!!!

TrailMark Metro District Updates:

The summer months are typically the most taxing period of time for pond management. High temperatures stimulate algae growth which can cause laborious and expensive treatment needs. Fortunately, a regular treatment program administered by Aquatics Associates for surface algae mats throughout June-July mitigated any need for more extensive efforts to address larger growth issues. Aquatics Associates applied one major algae/pondweed treatment in early June on Fairview Reservoir #1. Pond A was also treated for algae and pondweed in June and July.

Schilling and Company, Inc. presented the 2014 TrailMark Metro District Audit during the July TMMD meeting. The Board is pleased to have received another clean audit of the TMMD financial statements. Details of the full audit report can be found on the TMMD website

Additional miscellaneous TMMD matters:

- Evaluating options to have the pond outlet at Fairview Reservoir #2 cleaned out to remove sediment build up and improve water flow
- Working with the HOA to gather pertinent details that relate to the TrailMark entity owned fence replacement slated to begin in 2022. This will be a shared cost with the TrailMark HOA, and this additional information will be necessary for budget forecasting purposes
- The Board will discuss the 2016 budget at the September Board meeting.

Please remember that the TrailMark HOA requires that all dogs must be kept on leash when they are outside of a fenced area [your backyard]. If your dog needs to be off leash for exercise or training, there is a dog training park available across the street at Chatfield State Park. Please be considerate to your neighbors and keep your dogs leashed. Thanks, your HOA.



An important message from the Littleton Police Department!

Community Development Mark Barons from City of Littleton Community message regarding solicitors

Sending solicitors and salespeople out into the community is a common business practice. Often times, they are selling products or services, looking for donations, or handing out information. While they can be bothersome and annoying, many types of residential solicitation has been upheld by the courts as being a form of speech protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution. However, there is nothing that says that residents are required to answer their doors or entertain their offers.

Often times, after major storms that cause significant damage in the community, neighborhoods will be flooded with solicitors, looking for customers. It is strongly suggested that you, as citizens, be particularly wary of individuals coming to your door soliciting work on your house or yard. This could include landscaping, driveway resurfacing, roofing, or tree trimming, among many other jobs. Typically, legitimate businesses of this nature allow their customers to seek them out, and do not go door to door, trying to gain business. NEVER allow yourself to be pressured into signing a contract, engaging in a business agreement, or allowing the person or company to immediately start work on your property. It is also strongly suggested that you not let the salesperson into your home. If you would like to entertain their offer, suggest the sales person give you their information. A salesperson for a legitimate business will carry literature about their services, and their contact information. Insist that you will research the business before making any commitment whatsoever.

This same concept applies to those solicitors seeking donations. Many legitimate religious or charitable groups get a significant portion of their funding through door-to-door solicitation. Again, if you feel comfortable, feel free to listen to what they say, but NEVER give them money up front. Simply suggest that you would like their information so you can research them, and may make a donation at a later time. In this day and age of the internet and social media, very few legitimate organizations will not have a website you can go to research them.

A few things to remember:

- Do not allow a stranger into your home for any reason. Talk to the person through your door, or, if you feel comfortable with them, step outside to have the conversation.
- Do not allow yourself to be pressured to sign a contract or engage in any type of agreement.
- Do not allow a contractor to begin work on your property immediately.
- Don't be afraid to tell the solicitor that you are going to research their business. Ask for their information. Legitimate businesses will always carry information to give to potential customers.

Finally, if you are ever confronted with someone being pushy, aggressive, confrontational, or they won't do what you ask, i.e. leave your property, you can always call the police. We are always willing to respond and check them out.



September at Shaffer

Sept 22 - Picture Day

Sept 28 & 29 - Talent Show Auditions



Chatfield Homecoming

Sept 25: Varsity vs Bear Creek Football Game @ 7:30pm

Sept 26: Homecoming Dance @ 8pm

Falcon Bluffs Spirit Night

Thursday, **Oct. 8th** from 5-8 at Chic Fil A. 15% back to the school - just reference FBMS whether eating in or drive through.

Bull Snakes 101

- Bull snakes have no rattle and keep their tail close to the ground. Rattlesnakes have rattles and elevate their tail.
- Bull snakes are generally cream or pale color, while rattle snakes are darker with more contrast.
- A bull snake's body is more stream like, thinner and narrower towards tail. Rattlesnakes are thicker, especially in their mid-section.
- A bull snake's head is identical to the size of its body and has circular eyes. rattlesnakes have a triangular head with vertically oriented eyes (like a cat).
- Bull snakes lay eggs; rattlesnakes have live birth.
- Bull snakes are our friends. Bull snakes keep the mice and food items in check which help keep the rattlesnakes away.



Bull Snake: Good Guy



Rattlesnake: Bad Guy

Friendly reminder:

HOA rules state that signs, with the exception of sales or lease signs, are not allowed in TrailMark. This includes political signs. However, Colorado State law limits the HOA's powers when it comes to political signs. State law requires that we allow political signs to be posted on property for the time period of up to 45 days before the election date, and up to 7 days after the election date. Please be sure to stay within the time frame, if you plan on posting an election sign. Colorado Management will be sending violation letters to those homeowners who do not comply. Thank you.

PUMPKIN HARVEST FESTIVAL

WHEN: Oct. 3-4

WHERE: Four Mile Historic Park,
715 S. Forest St.

At Four Mile Historic Park's Pumpkin Harvest Festival, find the perfect pumpkin in the patch, create your very own scarecrow, listen and dance to old time music, play historic games or make a historic craft!



Chatfield Pumpkin Festival

WHEN: Oct. 9-11, 2015
9am-5pm

WHERE: Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield

Celebrate fall at Pumpkin Festival. This three-day event is a great tradition for the entire family. Select from a wide variety of pumpkins in the massive pumpkin patch. Pumpkin prices vary by size. Entry includes pumpkin carving demonstrations; hay, pony and barrel train rides; mini maze; jumping pillow; five carnival game tickets; face painting and live music. The Corn Maze, food, drinks, bull rides and more are available for purchase.

Free Days

Zoo: Nov. 2, Nov. 13, Nov. 19

Museum of Nature and

Science: Sept. 27, Oct. 19,
Nov 9

Children's Museum: Sept. 1,
Oct. 6, Nov. 3

Firefighter Museum: Oct. 10



at Horseshoe Park. There in the early evening, you will find local volunteer guides called the Bugle Corp on hand to provide insight and information.

TRICK OR TREAT TRAIN

WHEN: Oct. 31, 2015

WHERE: Colorado Railroad Museum



GREAT AMERICAN BEER FESTIVAL® AND DENVER BEER FEST

WHEN: Sept. 24-26 (GABF®) & Sept. 18-26, 2015 (Denver Beer Fest)

WHERE: Colorado Convention Center and various locations throughout the city

****Drink Responsibly****

DENVER FILM FESTIVAL

WHEN: Nov 4 - 15, 2015

WHERE: Screenings and events will take place at various venues, including the Sie FilmCenter and UA Pavilions.

Elk Bugling: September-October

During the elk mating season, bull elk stage their own passion play. The characteristic rutting call of bulls can be heard from just before dusk to dawn. Head into Rocky Mountain National Park and stop

5TH ANNUAL HOOTeNANNY Owl and Bluegrass FESTIVAL



Sept. 26 • 10 AM-2 PM

Audubon Nature Center at Chatfield

Discover the secret life of owls through crafts, activities, and interactive displays. Join local owl experts and learn about Colorado owls, owl conservation, and see live owls up close with **Wild Wings Environmental Education**. Local bluegrass music provided by **Coal Town Reunion** and local food will be available for purchase from the **Chibby Wibbitz food truck**.



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We welcome everyone to our new page "TrailMark HOA." This will allow board related questions to come directly to the HOA, leaving the "TrailMark at Chatfield"

page for personal conversation between neighbors. We hope that, by funneling questions and comments directly to the board's Facebook page, better communication will follow.



FALCON BLUFFS MIDDLE SCHOOL 5K HARVEST RUN



Wednesday, October 21, 2015

**Starts 6:00 PM at Falcon Bluffs Middle School
8449 S Garrison St, Littleton, CO 80128**

Activities include:

- ★ 5K Run/Walk
- ★ One-Mile Fun Run on the Track
- ★ **COSTUME CONTEST!!**
- ★ **AWARDS!**

Use this qr code to register:



Or go to: www.runningguru.com/EventInformation.asp?eID=16620

We can't wait to see all your fun costumes!



*Do you like the Concerts, 4th of July events, Corn Maze, and other neighborhood events? **VOLUNTEERS** needed to help these events go on. Help a little or a lot. Please email Juli Hill, at juliwh@msn.com, if you would like to get involved.*



Trailmark Halloween Coloring Contest

**PRINT, COLOR, SUBMIT BY 10/21/2015.
HAND DELIVER OR SEND TO:
YOUR TRAILMARK RESIDENT REALTOR
MOLLY HENRY
9511 W ATHENS LN., LITTLETON 80127**

Entry Name _____

Age: _____ **Phone** _____

Address _____

Email _____

ENTER NOW TO **WIN** A PAIR OF
MOVIE TICKETS OR JUMP STREET
CERTIFICATES!!!!

**TWO WINNERS IN EACH AGE
GROUP!!**

3-5 years

6-8 years

9-11 years

12-14 years

*Every participant wins a small prize

Top winners featured on

"TRAILMARK REAL ESTATE"

Facebook page and the community page.

Visit www.HenryHomes.US

Email: trailmarkrealestate@gmail.com





EXPLORE. ENJOY.

- » Boys & Girls Youth Basketball Leagues, K-8th
 - » FREE Nuggets Skills Challenge - Dec 5
 - » Holiday Classic Tournament
- ssprd.org/youth-basketball

SOUTH SUBURBAN RACE SERIES

- » Hoofin' It Through the Hollows 5k - October 24
runningguru.com/event/hooфинit
- » Black Friday 5k - November 27
runningguru.com/event/blackfriday

Train for your season.
Check out the batting
cages at Cornerstone
Park.

Ask about our Birthday
Party Specials and
Discounted Group Rates
at Colorado Journey.



Cornerstone Park at the
corner of Belleview &
Windermere



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SUNNY PUCKETT INVITES YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY APPRECIATION CELEBRATION

Saturday, October 17th

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Clement Park (Pierce & Bowles)

TrailMark

Market Statistics January 1, 2015 – July 31, 2015

STYLE	SQUARE FOOTAGE	FLOOR PLAN	AVG. SALES PRICE	AVG. DAYS ON MARKET	NUMBER OF HOMES SOLD	AVG. PRICE PER FIN. SQ. FOOT
2 Story	1531 – 2346	Antero	\$360,000	3	1	\$158
2 Story	1676 – 2277	Huron	\$403,000	5	1	\$179
2 Story	1813 – 3285	Shavano	\$441,680	2	5 2 Back to Open Sp.	\$201
2 Story	2100 – 3781	Windom	\$475,000	23	5 2 Back to Open Sp.	\$166
2 Story	2373 – 2508	Heartwood	\$505,000	3	1 Backs to Open Sp.	\$209
2 Story	2567 – 4348	Rosewood	\$549,750	17	2 Back to Open Sp.	\$202
2 Story	2667 – 4484	Edgewood	\$539,133	16	3 1 Backs to Open Sp.	\$161
Ranch	2063 - 4334	Sandalwood	\$497,500	5	2 1 Backs to Open Sp.	\$230
2 Story	3098 – 5034	Timber Ridge	\$592,500	32	2	\$180
2 Story	3215 – 5152	Regal Meadow	\$525,000	170	1 Backs to Open Sp.	\$156
Star Canyon						
Ranch	2091 – 3280	Patio Home	\$537,000	5	1 Backs to Open Sp.	\$170
2 Story	2996 – 3293	Patio Home	\$450,250	6	2	\$176

NEIGHBORHOOD OVERVIEW AVERAGE (excluding Star Canyon)

SALE PRICE: \$490,143

DAYS ON MARKET: 20

PRICE PER FIN. SQ. FOOT: \$182

(including Star Canyon)

TOTAL SOLD: 26 (11 Back to Open Space)

ACTIVE LISTINGS: 4

(6 homes presently under contract in TrailMark)

There are almost the same number of homes going under contract that come on the market.

Let me price your home correctly and it will sell quickly!

Call Sunny

303-904-4364

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