

February 2021

TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter

February Calendar

2/1 - News Update

2/4 - Food Truck Thursday

2/16 - Regular Garbage Pick -up Day

2/18 - Food Truck Thursday

Visit **TrailMark.org** for the most current neighborhood news.

Board Members

President

Ken Colaizzi

Vice President

Sally Janssen

Treasurer

Phil Kinney

Secretary

Bill Kuenning

Member At Large

CJ Haberkorn

Email the HOA Board: board@trailmarkhoa.org

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Introducing our 2021 HOA Board!

We would like to formally introduce you to our new board members:

- Ken Colaizzi President
- Sally Janssen Vice President
- Phil Kinney Treasurer
- Bill Kuenning Secretary
- **CJ Haberkorn** Member at Large











SIDENT VICE PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

MEMBER AT LARGE

Get to know our 2021 HOA Board by visiting our **Board Members page**.

HOA Board Annual Report 2020

The 2020 HOA Board wishes to present to the TrailMark Community, its Board of Directors' and Committees' Annual Report. This Annual Report describes our goals and accomplishments, in-progress activities, and future activity/initiative recommendations.

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Notwithstanding the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the HOA Board has endeavored to preserve TrailMark's unique values, and open and natural environment - through proactive landscape and water management, and covenant compliance, while providing efficient and comprehensive administrative management, which ensures a vibrant, inclusive and safe community.

We believe that through this effective management, we have provided all of our homeowners and residents a quality, safe, well cared for, harmonious and sought-after community, in which to live and to raise their families. We diligently continued the tradition of appropriate progressive change, and developed strategies to explore kinder and more consistent covenant compliance. Prudent fiscal responsibility allowed for: common property improvements, better communications, numerous community activities, improved service contracts and the continuation of our industry-leading low HOA fees. We strengthened old initiatives and embarked on many new efforts that further enrich our TrailMark quality of property and life.

- TrailMark HOA 2020 Annual Report
- TrailMark HOA Statement of GENERAL FUND: Revenues, Expenses, Balances, Budget and Actuals

Common Area Committee Takes Down Decorations

Thanks to everyone who helped! The decorations this year were extra perfect, and the comments that were received from residents say so, too!



Commercial Vehicle Policy

The clarification regarding commercial vehicles allowed in TrailMark was discussed at the January meeting. The DRAFT policy will be posted on the website for a one month period review. Any questions or feedback that residents may have regarding this policy, please send a message to the property manager not later than March 1, 2021. A formal vote will be taken in March to finalize the commercial vehicles allowed in TrailMark.

Snow Removal of Common Sidewalks

The HOA has contracted for snow removal of common area sidewalks with a 2" trigger. This means that the average snowfall (measured in four different areas in the neighborhood) needs to be 2" for the contractor to automatically clear the snow. We have received some calls regarding this recently in which the snowfall near one resident is 2" but the sidewalks are clear elsewhere in the neighborhood. The Board has heard the concern and is looking at remedies for this in which some areas may be cleared regardless of snowfall elsewhere. No formal decisions have been made, but discussion is taking place. Also, please note that any calls regarding snow removal questions need to go to the property manager. Please do not call the contractor directly.



Photo by Andy Marquez

What's the DRC up to?

Check the newsletter each month to see how the DRC (Design Review Committee) is updating our design guidelines to address the aging of the neighborhood. After receiving requests from residents for a paver option on their driveway, the DRC created an updated guideline to include some paver options for driveways in addition to the standard concrete driveways. Paver driveways will incorporate into the neighborhood by keeping the original grey color scheme as well as a simple design of either a basket weave, or running bond. Read the complete guideline here: https://www.trailmark.org/uploads/3/9/0/8/39089355/driveway_install-replace_std.pdf



Apply now for this behind-the-scenes tour of your fire department!

2021 SMFR Citizens Academy

- Letter and Application
- 2021 Citizens Academy Schedule

Social Committee Calendar of 2021 Events

Mark your calendars for a fun-filled year! Check social media and future newsletters for more details on each event. You can also subscribe to our google calendar here, which will provide updates as dates and times are subject to change.

1st and 3rd Thursdays, 5:00-7:30 pm – Food Truck Thursdays, Playground TBD

April 3rd – Easter Bunny Photo Op & Egg Pick Up, Sign Up Genius time slots, Hogback Hill Park

May 15th, time TBD – **TrailMark Graduate Car Parade**

June 11th-12th, 7:30 am-2 pm – **Neighborhood Garage Sale**

*June 18th, 6-8 pm – **Family Photo Day #1** (more info and sign ups to come)

One Sunday in June, July, August – **Summer Concert Series**, Hogback Hill Park

July 4th, 9 am – 4th of July Bike Parade, TrailMark Playground

*July 17th, 6-8 pm – **Family Photo Day #2** (more info and sign ups to come)

July 31st, 6:30-8:30 pm – Pirate's Cove Night, \$5/person CASH ONLY

*Aug 7th, time TBD – **Movie Night**, Hogback Hill Park

*Aug 15th, 6-8 pm – **Family Photo Day #3** (more info and sign ups to come)

Sept 21st, 5-8 pm – Chatfield Botanic Gardens Corn Maze, \$5/person CASH ONLY

Date in the fall TBD – **Skate City Night**, \$3/person CASH ONLY

*Oct TBD, 10 am – **TM5K and Family Fun Run**, Hogback Hill Park (more info and sign ups to come)

Dec 7th, 5-8 pm – **Chatfield Botanic Gardens Night at the Lights**, \$5/person in advance, \$10/person at the door. CASH ONLY

Visit the Social Committee page to view the 2021 Google calendar. From there you can add events to your personal calendar in two clicks.

Business sponsors needed for 2021 events

The Social Committee is looking for business sponsors for some of our 2021 events! In order to keep from raising dues or event entrance fees we are looking for sponsors for various portions of events. This could include paying for things like face painters at the summer concerts, 4th of July Parade or TM5K; paying for coffee and donuts at the 4th of July Parade; or even sponsoring the tractor and barrel rides at the Corn Maze or carriage rides at Night at the Lights.

If you or your business is interested in helping to sponsor one or more of these events please email social@trailmarkhoa.org.

We love putting on these amazing events for our neighbors, but with rising event costs we need your help!

Thanks so much!

TrailMark Social Event Sponsorship Opportunities











^{*}Dates Subject to Change

February is Girl Scout Cookie month!!

Please support your local troops and buy cookies. Girl Scout troops need your help during Covid-19. Thank you TrailMark residents!

To order from a TrailMark Girl Scout, visit the Girl Scout Cookie post on TrailMark's Facebook page.

Navigating TrailMark's Website

If you're looking for anything regarding TrailMark, you will most likely find it on the website at TrailMark.org. At the very top of the website, there is a search box. Type in a few key words, and it will take you to page suggestions. Choose a page title and click on it. Search further by using the command, "Control F."

Also, everything that has been posted on the home page since 2014 can be found in the Archives. To get to the archives, hover over the home tab.

Special Meeting Highlights

For those who missed the HOA Special Meeting on January 21st, here are the highlights:

- A. The 2021 HOA Board approved the 2020 HOA Board's recommendation to hire Susie Ellis with Community Preservation Specialists (CPS) to continue our covenant enforcement for the 2021 year.
- B. Residents were allowed to listen and better understand how our covenants and declarations are enforced. Susie Ellis gave many examples in TrailMark.
- C. Attendees were allowed to participate in discussions with Susie Ellis regarding the covenants and declarations.
- D. The HOA Board entertained having a similar discussion with homeowners regarding the Design Review Committee (DRC) in February. The HOA is still working with the DRC to try and make this happen. Watch for an upcoming announcement regarding a DRC information meeting.

Friendly Reminder about Holiday Decorations

All exterior holiday decorations utilized as season displays must be removed and properly stored by February 1, 2021. Non-season-specific colored light displays, for COVID, are welcome any time during the Pandemic.

Maximum Penalty \$1,000 Minimum Fine

A gentle reminder, JEFFCO has animal control laws in place to protect public health and safety. Please demonstrate responsible pet ownership.



Celebrate your heart in February by Learning CPR

By Einar Jensen, Risk Reduction Specialist

South Metro Fire Rescue

Imagine yourself at the grocery store, pushing the cart along an aisle scanning the shelves for the best deal on frozen spinach. A middle-aged man pushing a cart toward you stops, clutches his chest as sweat beads on his face, and slumps to the floor. One minute he was shopping for his wife and three children and now he's dying in the frozen food aisle because his heart stopped. It can happen that quickly. A clerk calls 911. Firefighters are only minutes away, but those minutes may be the difference between life and death.

Do you know CPR? Are you ready to assist this patient?

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is a leading cause of death among adults in the United States, killing roughly 320,000 Americans annually, according to the American Heart Association (AHA). Generally considered a problem among the elderly, SCA also strikes middle-aged adults, teenagers, and children.

Adopting healthier lifestyles—more exercise, better nutrition, cessation of smoking—can reduce the risk of SCA, but some factors such as family history and genetics can't be mitigated. Prevention isn't enough; patients also rely on bystanders—loved ones or strangers—to react promptly and safely make a difference.

Learning how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and operate an automated external defibrillator (AED) can make that difference. The South Metro Safety Foundation offers certification courses in CPR and AED use. Check out its schedule at www.southmetrofoundation.org.

If the patient is an adult, bystanders also can use Hands-Only CPR. This technique is especially useful in the Era of COVID because you don't need to deliver breaths to the patient.

To perform Hands-Only CPR safely, follow these steps:

- Make sure the area is safe for you. You don't want to become injured while saving the life of someone else.
- Tap and Shout. Tap the patient's shoulders and shout at the person to check for level of responsiveness. A patient who talks, blinks, or moves still may need an ambulance, but CPR is only effective for unresponsive (dead) patients.
- Tell someone to call 911. If you are alone, call 911 on your cell phone and activate the speaker-phone mode.
- Tell another bystander to get an AED if one is available.
- Kneel beside the patient's chest.
- Check for breathing. Look at the patient's chest to see if it is moving, which would suggest the patient is breathing. If the chest is not moving...
- Place the heel of one hand on the lower half of the patient's sternum: that's the bone in the middle of the chest where all the ribs come together. Place your other hand on top of your first hand. Straighten your arms and position your shoulders directly above your hands.
- Push down about 2 inches and then release the pressure so the chest returns to its regular position. That was a compression. Perform compressions at the rate of 100-120 per minute. That's a beat similar to the songs Stayin' Alive, Uptown Funk, or Baby Shark.

Continue doing compressions until help arrives (other bystanders or firefighters), or you are too tired to continue, or the scene becomes unsafe for you, or the patient recovers.

Bystander CPR is an important link in the Chain of Survival, according to the AHA, because it improves the heart's ability to respond to electricity from an AED, medications from paramedics, and surgery from nurses and doctors.

For information on heart wellness and other risk reduction topics, visit www.southmetro.org or contact us at ReducingRisk@southmetro.org.

New Feature - 'Compliance Reports' page

Visit the Compliance Reports page on trailmark.org for links to the reports that our covenant company provides to the board for each meeting.

Garbage & Recycling Update





Regular Garbage Pick-up Day - February 16th

No delay due to the Presidents' Day Holiday

Alpine/GFL Automated Sustainability Report for TrailMark

December 2020

An invitation to you:

WinterWise

February 18th at 6 p.m.

Presentation will be via a Zoom Link sent to your email.



We Coloradans love the snow and enjoy many of its benefits: free moisture, sports activities, or just staying cozy inside our homes. However, snow and cold can add layers of danger to our families.

In January 2016, the South Metro Fire Rescue community experienced tragedy when three teenaged boys fell through the ice on a pond in Parker. Two of the boys died. In December 2020, an unleashed dog died after falling through ice into a pond in Highlands Ranch.

Ice also causes problems on roadways and sidewalks. According to the CDC, approximately 1 million Americans are injured annually as the result of falling on ice and snow. Tragically, these injuries are fatal for about 17,000 people each year.

Our firefighters have additional challenges when accessing fire hydrants, roads, or homes during snowstorms because of heavy snow and slippery ice.

Please join us on February 18 at 6 p.m. for our WinterWise program where you can learn tips for improving your safety and helping our firefighters during the snowy season.

Sign Up: https://forms.gle/u7XeqgRcRVF1NS3e8



Einar Jensen | Risk Reduction Specialist

Reminder: Snow and ice are required to be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after a snowfall.

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TRAILMARK EVENTS AND COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

TrailMark will continue to offer social events to contribute to our sense of community. As previously published, with the COVID-19 pandemic, these events will continue provided all participants do so in a safe, responsible manner. This means observing social distancing and wearing face coverings.

We understand that some may feel uncomfortable attending these events given the uptick in COVID cases. However, if you wish to participate you must agree to "play by the rules" — Participants must wear a face covering and observe 6-foot social distancing between family units.

- Children 10 years and younger are not required to wear masks because the evidence so far has shown that children in this age group are much less likely to spread COVID-19 than older children and adults. It is also less likely that children of this age will wear a mask correctly.
- Children ages 2 and under should NOT wear masks or cloth face coverings.

If you're comfortable, come out and enjoy yourself – listen to some summer music and/or indulge in food truck offerings. If you are concerned with being in a crowd, or are uneasy about participating, please stay home.

Please be reminded that the TrailMark HOA assumes no responsibility for any illness caused by attending our events. If families, including children, do not observe social distancing and wear face coverings, you will be asked to leave. Failure to leave when asked, or if it is determined that attendees are not observing our simple rules, then for the safety of all TrailMark residents future events may be cancelled.

If you attend our events, PLEASE, enjoy yourself and do so responsibly. We all thank you.

FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS WITH ONLINE ORDERING

Thursdays, February 4 & 18 5:00-7:30 pm near TrailMark Park



Photo by Linda Jagiello

Order through each business's website by clicking on their link. Links are posted on the trailmark.org website and TrailMark's Facebook page.

PLEASE ORDER AFTER 5 PM

Please practice social distancing.

- Order food at home
- Send 1 person to pick it up
- Stand 6 feet apart
- Go home to eat
- Please, no congregating at the park
- Respect those who live on that street
- For trucks that use Truckster: Download the Truckster app, hit magnifying glass at the bottom, type in the truck name, click on menu button
- Other truck links: Go straight to the ordering button. (Some ice cream trucks don't have an online ordering option.)
- Links will go live at 5pm. You can't order until the truck turns the ordering system on.
- The truck will message you back and tell you when your order will be ready. Then come pick up your food while adhering to social distancing.
- Food truck selections subject to change.
- Due to weather, events may be canceled. Please check trailmark.org for cancellation information.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES will be strictly followed for everyone at this event.