

March 2021

TrailMark News Update

TrailMark at Chatfield HOA's Newsletter

March Calendar

3/1 - News Update

3/4 - Food Truck Thursday

3/11 - HOA Board Meeting

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3/18 - Food Truck Thursday

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Management Transition

We are excited to announce a change in the HOA management from Angie Kelly to Mat Birkeness. Mat has been working closely with Angie over the last year.

TrailMark and CRS will miss Angie's experience and professionalism and wish her the best in her future endeavors. Angie has decided to change lines of work and will be working with franchises moving forward. Mat will continue to be a tremendous asset to the community and Board.

Mat may be reached at mbirkeness@crsofcolorado.com.

TrailMark Swimming Pool Standard

The HOA/DRC has developed a community-wide swimming pool standard and is asking for your input to the proposed standard regarding backyard pools. To see more information and view the standard, go to our Swimming Pool Standard page.

Please submit your comment(s) to designreview@trailmarkhoa.org. Comments will be considered as we continue to refine the standard into a final document. All comments should be received at designreview@trailmarkhoa.org not later than March 5, 2021.

TMMD: Star Canyon fences to be painted and repaired

This spring, Filing 3 and Star Canyon Condos and Patio Homes will have split rail fences painted and repaired as part of the annual maintenance program. Filing 3 will have the outside of the fence painted and residents are responsible for the inside. Star Canyon areas will have the inside of the fence painted by their respective HOA. The paint crew will not need to enter yards but will instead shield yards as they paint the outside.

Homeowners are responsible for removing any vegetation that may be growing on the fence or any materials that are attached or leaning on the fence.

If any homeowner would like to paint their side of the community fence or a private fence, the stain must be the approved TrailMark color. The product used now is **Sherman Williams latex solid stain** with color **S-W 9090 "Caribe"** which matches to the previous color that was discontinued.

Reminder: Commercial Vehicle Policy

The clarification regarding commercial vehicles allowed in TrailMark was discussed at the January meeting. The DRAFT policy is posted on the website for review. Any questions or feedback that residents may have regarding this policy, please fill out this form not later than **March 1, 2021**. A formal vote will be taken in March to finalize the commercial vehicles allowed in TrailMark.

2021 Bulk Colorado State Park Pass Purchase

Save 30% on your Annual State Park Pass (regularly \$80) by sending payment of \$57 by April 24, 2021 to Deahna Visscher at 9831 S. Flower Ct, Littleton, CO 80127. Make checks payable to **Deahna Visscher**. Please include your **full name, home address, and phone number** with your order.



After much encouragement from neighbors, this year Deahna is adding a \$1 handling fee to cover her time, gas, and efforts.

IMPORTANT DETAILS:

- 1. Vouchers will only be ordered for those whose payment has been received by the due date of April 24, 2021.
- 2. Deahna will deposit checks and purchase the bulk vouchers after the due date.
- 3. Pick up for vouchers will be Saturday, May 8, 2021 from 9:00am to 12:00pm.
- 4. Your purchase is for a voucher that you will redeem at the state park visitor center for your park pass.
- 5. Vouchers can only be redeemed once.
- 6. Vouchers are non-refundable.
- 7. Vouchers cannot be replaced.
- 8. Vouchers are not valid for entry to a park past the initial redeeming for park pass.
- 9. Once the voucher is redeemed for an annual pass, the customer must adhere to the rules and regulations of that pass type.
- 10. Vouchers will expire at the end of the month a year from the date of purchase. Example: a voucher purchased March 3, 2021 expires March 31, 2022.
- 11. The pass, for which the voucher is exchanged, is valid until the end of the month a year after redemption. Example: a voucher was purchased March 3, 2021. It was redeemed May 1, 2021. The pass is valid until May 31, 2022.
- 12. Detach the receipt from the voucher and keep it. This can be used if you need a new pass if a car was stolen, or if you need to have your windshield replaced, etc. Replacement cost of the pass is the same as any other pass, currently \$5.00.
- 13. The sticker affixes on the inside of your windshield on the passenger side.
- 14. You still have to pay the normal fee at the gate for the dog park pass for Chatfield and/or Cherry Creek reservoirs.
- 15. Vouchers are ONLY for the Annual Affixed Vehicle Pass. Visit the link below to purchase family, senior and specialty passes.
- 16. For more information on the Colorado State Park Rules and Regulations, visit https://cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/ParksPassInfo.aspx

NOTE: Additional passes for the same household can be purchased at any state park entrance for \$40.00. Bring your pass and the registration for the second vehicle with you to any park entrance for purchase. Do NOT pay Deahna for additional passes for your household.

Protect Yourself and Your Family by becoming WinterWise

By Einar Jensen, Risk Reduction Specialist South Metro Fire Rescue

Frankly, I appreciated winter much more when I was a child. Snow days, sledding, ice skating, snow forts, snow angels, watching steam rise from the creek behind my parents' home. Now it also means icy roads and sidewalks, fire hydrants buried in snow, heating bills, and frostnip.

Presidents' Day Weekend was particularly busy for South Metro Fire Rescue's firefighters because of winter-related emergencies including ice rescues, home fires caused by fireplace ashes, falls, and broken commercial sprinkler pipes, but those emergencies are prevalent throughout the colder months.

The Community Risk Reduction Bureau of SMFR has started a new program to curb those emergencies and protect both our community and our firefighters: WinterWise.

Participation in WinterWise is open for individuals as well as neighborhoods, apartment complexes or buildings, commercial areas, and schools. Participation has several steps:

- Contact us at ReducingRisk@southmetro.org to express your interest in participating.
- Collaborate with a Risk Reduction Specialist to conduct a safety survey of your neighborhood, campus, or complex.
- Host or attend a 30-minute presentation on winter safety delivered by the Community Risk Reduction Bureau.
 These presentations are available virtually using Zoom or other platforms.
- Collaborate with your Risk Reduction Specialist to provide a newsletter or website post on winter safety topics pertinent to your needs.
- Meet the following outcomes of this program:
 - ♦ 80% of pets are leashed while adjacent to frozen bodies of water;
 - 90% of sidewalks are cleared of ice and snow within 24 hours of the most recent snowfall;
 - 80% of fire hydrants are cleared with a 36-inch radius within 24 hours of the most recent snowfall;
 - ♦ Signage is posted near frozen bodies of water noting hazards; and
 - ♦ Other outcomes as agreed upon with your Risk Reduction Specialist.

SMFR personnel will conduct observations of your area to determine whether those objectives are met. We are working on signage or other rewards to note WinterWise successes.

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

Fire Hydrants need clearance

During the WinterWise program with Risk Reduction Specialist Einar Jensen (South Metro Fire Rescue), Einar brought up a safety precaution to those who have fire hydrants in their yards... After a heavy snowstorm, fire hydrants throughout the neighborhood should be cleared 3 ft. around, so that if needed, firefighters wouldn't have to spend time digging out before connecting their hoses. In an emergency, every second counts.

NEW EVENT! Easter Bunny Photo & Egg Pick Up

Saturday, April 3rd at Hogback Hill Park

In lieu of a traditional Easter Egg Hunt, come take your picture with the Easter Bunny! Bring your baskets to fill with eggs to hide for fun at home! Timeslots available between 9:00-10:00am and 10:30-11:30am

PLEASE only **sign up** for 1 time slot PER FAMILY ("Quantity": 1). There are 5 slots available per 15 minutes (i.e. about 3 minutes per family to get a picture and eggs), please be respectful of everyone's time and keep to your time slot. **Please observe social distancing between families and wear masks.**

Event sponsored by Secure-All Security Doors



Garbage & Recycling Update



Alpine/GFL Automated Sustainability Report for TrailMark

January 2021



A Change to the HOA Facebook page

The HOA Board would like to announce an immediate change to the HOA Facebook page. Unanimously, the HOA Board has voted to make the TrailMark HOA Facebook page for information purposes only. Public commenting will no longer be an option. The HOA Board feels that this is the best answer for now to protect our community from posts that have misinformation, insults, and disrespectful comments.

Please remember that all homeowners are always invited and encouraged to attend our bi-monthly meetings. During the meetings, homeowners are permitted to address the HOA Board for 3 minutes regarding any issue of interest. Please come to our next HOA Board meeting on March 11th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Watch for the upcoming Zoom link to be posted soon.

You may also email our entire HOA Board any time of day by sending your suggestions, concerns, or compliments to board@trailmarkhoa.org. We welcome your feedback anytime!

On behalf of the entire HOA Board, we appreciate and respect each and every one of you.

Thank you, Ken Colaizzi, President TrailMark HOA

From the DRC: Exterior Home Projects from Proposals to Approvals

Spring is around the corner! Hooray! If you anticipate spring, summer or fall exterior home projects, now is the perfect time to put those plans and your request together and submitted to the Design Review Committee (DRC) – painting/staining, roofing, landscaping, windows, decks/patios, fences, driveways, etc. ALL project forms and documents completely describing your project must be submitted to the DRC.

The DRC reviews project proposals the 1st and 3rd week of every month. We highly recommend that you submit your Homeowner Request Forms and all relevant documents to the management company to ensure that your project gets the required review and approval, to allow you to stay on your project schedule.

Documents must be submitted to the management company the Friday prior to the 1st and 3rd week reviews. Send all documentation to designreview@trailmarkhoa.org.



Photo by Kimberley Lorden

Find the required forms, guidance, and contact information on the HOA website: https://www.trailmark.org/hoa-documents-amp-forms.html

TrailMark's planning and design philosophy is to maintain a consistent, quality design expression, maintaining the original high prairie and foothills environment, in design and color. By adhering to this philosophy, your request will receive an expeditious review.

Home Painting: For those planning exterior home painting, TrailMark has paint sample books with forty-nine (49) approved paint schemes. Contact the management company at designreview@trailmarkhoa.org to review our paint scheme sample books. TrailMark's paint schemes are centered on earth tones. As a point of clarification, you must submit the Homeowner Request Form and identify the paint scheme you have selected prior to initiation of your paint project. If you wish to create your own paint scheme you must submit paint chips obtained from paint stores. Copies of paint chips are not accepted because of color distortion.

Worth Repeating: The DRC reviews homeowner requests the 1st & 3rd week of each month. Please ensure that your request is received by the management company the Friday prior to the DRC review week, so your complete request can be reviewed without delay. If you have any questions, please send them to designreview@trailmarkhoa.org.

The DRC reviewed 13 homeowner requests during the month of February. 11 requests were approved while 1 was not approved and 1 request, which had multiple projects listed, was partially approved. 1 homeowner request required a DRC member to visit the homeowner to gather additional information and see the proposed site, prior to approval.

In addition to holding two DRC meetings to review homeowner requests that were submitted during the month of February, the DRC held a Zoom meeting for the purpose of sharing information about the committee with TrailMark homeowners. The DRC shared information about the DRC's philosophy and goals, the DRC process, current initiatives, future endeavors, and several other topics. In addition, during the Zoom meeting, the DRC addressed questions that were emailed to the committee prior to the meeting. Thank you to those that were able to attend and as always, if you have any questions please send an email to designreview@trailmarkhoa.org.

Jefferson County moves to Level Blue

On February 26th, Jefferson County moved to Level Blue "Caution" on the Dial 2.0 Framework by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

General Guidance for our community

Under Level Blue everyone must take these actions:

- Continue to stay home as much as possible.
- Vulnerable people at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, such as older adults, must continue to only leaving home for medical care and essential activities.
- When you go out, follow physical distancing requirements (6 feet of space between yourself and others).
- Do not go to work if you are sick.
- People who have COVID-19 symptoms should get tested, and must isolate unless they have a negative test result. Please read how to isolate.
- Individuals in Jeffco are required to wear a mask in indoor public settings, as well as outdoor public settings where 6 ft. distancing cannot be maintained.
- Limit private gatherings to 10 individuals max from no more than 2 households.

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.



HOA BOARD MEETING

Thursday, March 11th

7:00 pm via Zoom

Check TrailMark.org for a link to the online meeting. All are welcome.

TMMD REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 16th

6:30 pm via Zoom

Check TrailMark.org for a link to the online meeting.

EASTER BUNNY PHOTO & EGG PICK UP

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FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS WITH ONLINE ORDERING

Thursdays, March 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.

HOA ASSESSMENTS DUE APRIL 1st

As a reminder, HOA Assessments are due April 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Mat Birkeness at Community Resource Services.

TrailMark HOA Board