

## TRAILS COMMITTEE – Parks and Commons report – October 18, 2018

Trails (10/6/2018) – On a rather cold and wet day, 15 volunteers worked on a number of projects: trimming of protruding vines along parts of the Amanda and 804 Trails; stockpiling of wood chips for future projects; building new steps along parts of the Gerdemann Botanical Garden public trail; as well as trimming brush and placing wood chips along parts of the same trail.

YIPS! – There is no report for YIPS! this month because the most recent session, which would have been included in this report, fell on a day prior to the last Commission meeting so it was included in the September report.

Amanda Bridge Replacement Project – At the time of submission of this report, there is no word as to final design and cost. Joanne talked to Wayne Belmont, County Council, about contributing some funds to this project via the Lincoln Land Legacy Program to pay for the costs of the expanded easement (Joanne sits on the LLLP Advisory Board). There has been no word yet as to whether or not the County Commissioners have approved this request.

Interpretive Sign Project – Last week, the 6th and 7th signs were erected by students in the Masonry Program of the Angell Job Corps with help from Trail crew and VTF members. The next day, students in the Angell Job Corps Urban Forestry program came out and took down a precarious tree along the Amanda Trail in the Gathering Area.

Rainshadow Running – The races were held last Saturday and Sunday, 10/13 and 10/14; several Trails Committee members will look over portions of the Amanda Trail with the race organizers later this week to identify any damage resulting from the races.

Urban Forest Trail – After receiving Commission approval to move forward with this project, a tentative route for the trail has been laid out. City personnel arranged for door tags to be placed at houses adjacent to the 5<sup>th</sup> Street right of way and a resident of one of those houses has expressed opposition to the trail.