

Your Town

Talk

August 2020

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Good to Know

“Fill the boot” with Castle Rock Fire and Rescue’s e-drive

Each year, Castle Rock Fire and Rescue participates in the annual Fill the Boot fundraiser to collect donations for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. This year will be different, as we will not have firefighters on the streets around Castle Rock with the boot. Instead, Castle Rock Fire and Rescue will be filling the boot with online donations, beginning immediately. Caring counts; therefore, no amount is too small!

The money donated for Fill the Boot will help local families with muscular dystrophy. The funds go toward research, annual summer camps and specialty clinics in the Denver Metro area for those with neuromuscular disease.

CRFD has been participating in this annual event for nearly two decades. Last year’s goal was to raise \$40,000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. This year, we hope to raise that same amount online, with your help. Simply hover your phone camera over the QR code in the boot graphic to visit a secure site where you can contribute, as you always have.

Celebrate summer with Castle Rock events

Castle Rock is a community that comes together when times are hard. Whether it’s shopping at local stores, grabbing takeout from a neighborhood restaurant or maintaining social distance while playing at the park, Castle Rock knows how to support local. With that community spirit in mind, the Town will host several events in the coming months to help the summer celebration continue.

Please note, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will be some changes to events this year to abide by State health guidelines and accommodate social distancing. Stay up to date on details at CRgov.com, or follow the event postings on the Town’s social media (@CRgov) pages.

Here’s what’s coming up in August:

Feeling the Friday vibe? Check out First Fridays at Festival Park. Slamabama will take the stage Friday, Aug. 7. Enjoy live music, food trucks and cocktails. Or, participate in the 5K After 5 Run. The August theme is “Running with the Bulls.” More information and registration is available at CRgov.com/FirstFridays or CRgov.com/Races.

The Town’s Tunes for Trails, Perks for Parks free concert series will continue this month. The Long Run Band will take the stage at the Amphitheater at PSM Park Thursday, Aug. 20. Registration is required. Head to CRgov.com/TrailTunes for more.

And, a limited version of the Summer Concert Series is back! Salute to OI’ Blue Eyes featuring the Denver Pops is Friday, Aug. 21. Tickets are on sale now at CRgov.com/PSMConcerts.

Masks available at Town Hall

To help ensure face coverings are available for those who need them, the Town is making nonmedical disposable masks available free of charge at Town Hall for Town businesses and residents to pick up.

The process is simple: come to Town Hall, 100 N. Wilcox St., between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Be sure to wear a mask and to practice social distancing as indicated by floor signage.

The Town hopes to keep masks available through August, but supplies may run out. Check CRgov.com/Masks for the most current information.

The Town anticipates being reimbursed for the masks purchased for this program through the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

Take the pledge; join the call to conserve

Castle Rock is a community that understands conservation. For years, residents have made great strides in becoming more water conscious. Now, Mayor Jason Gray is calling on the entire community to show just how much we rock at conservation by taking a pledge at MyWaterPledge.com.

The pledge is a fun way to show how small steps can have a big impact on our water future. Plus, it’s a national competition. Castle Rock has been a part of the Mayor’s Conservation Challenge at MyWaterPledge.com for the past 5 years. Based on how many residents take the pledge, Castle Rock has made it into the top 10 ranking nationally! Can we do it again this year?

Help us stay on top, and get your neighbors to take the pledge. Let’s show the nation how our community rocks at water conservation! And, if your competitive nature isn’t enough, there’s also a chance to win prizes like water-saving products and \$3,000 toward your utility bill. Pledge today at MyWaterPledge.com.

Improvements at the Rec Center

Keeping the Recreation Center in top shape is a priority. And, maintenance is a fact of life. With that in mind, there are a few closures at the Recreation Center to be aware of in the coming month.

The Recreation Center leisure pool will be closed for maintenance starting the week of Aug. 17. The pool is expected to reopen the first week of September. The lap pool will remain open throughout a majority of the closure. Check CRgov.com/RecreationCenter for updates. Please note, active Recreation Center members and multi-visit pass holders can use their passes at Butterfield Crossing and Burgess pools during the closure.

In addition to the pool work, spaces with wood floors at the Recreation Center will be closed for maintenance the weeks of Aug. 17 and Aug. 24. This includes the gym, racquetball courts, Fitness Studio and Fitness Garage.

Summer roadwork wrap-up

As we near the end of the summer season, let's take a minute to touch base on roadwork around Town.

The project to reconstruct and restore Meadows Boulevard from New Hope Way to Elegant Street is nearly complete. The new pavement created a smooth finish for motorists and room for bike and pedestrian improvements. To learn more, visit CRgov.com/MeadowsBlvd.

The annual Pavement Maintenance Program has improved neighborhood streets throughout the central area of Town. The current phase of work will focus on crack seal repairs in The Meadows and Red Hawk. Learn more at CRgov.com/PMP.

Improvements continue along Plum Creek Parkway. Throughout August, motorists can expect a series of closures along Lake Gulch Road and Gilbert Street as the new roundabout takes shape, weather permitting. For the latest, visit CRgov.com/PlumCreekPkwy.

Looking to start a business?

Is a pandemic the right time to start a business? It just might be! Home-based businesses come in a variety of forms – think dog walking, house cleaning and selling goods online. Castle Rock is a business-friendly community, but there are a few business services that can change the character of a neighborhood, and those businesses are not permitted to be headquartered at home. A few examples include beauty/barber services, auto repair, a bed and breakfast, and pet grooming. All businesses operating in the Town of Castle Rock are required to obtain a Business and Tax License. You can apply online at CastleRockTax.force.com. Contact the Finance Department with questions at 303-660-1015 or lhalterman@CRgov.com.



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Water conservation and efficiency tip
CRconserve.com

Heat has arrived and plants are feeling it! Before you adjust your irrigation system, there are a few things to keep in mind. Kentucky bluegrass is a cool-season grass. That means it's the greenest during spring and fall, when it's cooler outside. As temperatures soar, this cool-weather grass becomes dormant, and turns brown. Our natural reaction is to crank up the water, but during this dormancy stage, excessive water doesn't help. To keep your grass healthy, roots should be kept cool by not mowing the lawn shorter than 3 inches, and limiting excess wear and staying off the grass during this hot period. Next spring, consider replacing Kentucky bluegrass turf with a Texas Hybrid – a mix of more drought-tolerant rye, fescue and bluegrass – which does well in hot and dry conditions.

Events in Castle Rock

CRgov.com/Events

Aug. 7: First Fridays — Slamabama, 5-9 p.m., Festival Park.

Aug. 7: 5K After 5, 5:30 p.m., Festival Park.

Aug. 8, 15, 22, 29 & Sept. 5: Castle Rock Farmer's Market, 8 a.m.-noon, Douglas County High School.

Aug. 9, 16, 23, 30 & Sept. 6: Farmer's Market at Festival Park, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Aug. 9, 16, 23, 30 & Sept. 6: Yoga in the Park, 9-10 a.m., the Amphitheater at PSM Park.

Aug. 20: Tune for Trails, Perks for Parks — the Long Run Band, 6:30-9 p.m., the Amphitheater at PSM Park.

Aug. 20: Taste of Douglas County, 5-8 p.m., Douglas County Events Center.

Aug. 21: Summer Concert Series — Denver Pops, 6-9:30 p.m., the Amphitheater at PSM Park.

Sept. 4: First Fridays, 5-9 p.m., Festival Park.

Sept. 4: 5K After 5, 5:30 p.m., Festival Park.

2020 Watering Schedule

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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The Town of Castle Rock has mandatory watering schedules in place. On your watering day, water only before 8 a.m. or after 8 p.m. Your schedule is determined by your street address:

- Addresses ending in 0, 1, 2, 3
- Addresses ending in 4, 5, 6
- Addresses ending in 7, 8, 9

CRGOV.COM

On the Web: Catch up with Castle Rock

We don't want you to miss a thing! It's easy to stay up to date on what's happening around Town when you sign up for our news email list. Do so today at CRgov.com/SignUp.