

# Your Town Talk

July 2019



## Good to Know

### Western Heritage Welcome set for July 26

While Castle Rock is a thriving community, the Town's western heritage is alive and well. Celebrate everything cowboys, horses and steer at this year's Western Heritage Welcome Friday, July 26.

The Old West will truly come to life in Castle Rock to celebrate the arrival of the Douglas County Fair and Rodeo. Watch as cowhands drive a herd of longhorn steer and cattle through Downtown Castle Rock. Starting at Rock Park, the herd will continue along Perry Street to Festival Park. Grab a spot along Perry Street between Fifth and Second streets for the best views.

The festivities begin at 6 p.m. Following the steer drive, don't miss free western-themed activities, food trucks, cowboy-themed cocktails and entertainment for the whole family in Festival Park until 9 p.m.

You can learn more at [CRgov.com/WesternHeritage](http://CRgov.com/WesternHeritage). This year's Douglas County Fair and Rodeo runs Aug. 1-4. Get tickets at [douglascountyfairandrodeo.com](http://douglascountyfairandrodeo.com).

### Concerts at PSM Park

Summer is in full swing, and so is the 2019 Summer Concert Series. Tickets for this year's series are still on sale. Nestled in the beautiful setting of Philip S. Miller Park, the Amphitheater has become one of Colorado's most-sought-after live-music venues. The remaining concerts are:

- Castle Rock Summer Jam, featuring The Fray – Saturday, July 13
- Clay Walker – Sunday, July 21
- The Guess Who – Sunday, Aug. 11
- Denver Pops: A Beatles Tribute Featuring Mike Massé and the Rubber Souls – Saturday, Aug. 24

Tickets are on sale at [CRgov.com/PSMconcerts](http://CRgov.com/PSMconcerts).

## Founders Parkway and Allen Way improvements set to begin

The intersection of Founders Parkway and Allen Way is one of the busiest in Castle Rock. The Town has heard drivers' concerns and is taking the lead on efforts to relieve congestion and improve traffic flow at the intersection. Work is expected to begin in July and take approximately 90 days to complete.

Construction on this regional connection will be done in partnership with the Colorado Department of Transportation, Douglas County and Federal Highway Administration. Improvements will include:

- Additional eastbound left turn lane from Founders Parkway to Allen Way
- Dedicated right turn lane from Founders Parkway to Allen Way
- Additional southbound right turn lane from Allen Way to westbound Founders Parkway
- Additional I-25 northbound on-ramp lane
- Second northbound through-lane at Allen Way and Allen Street

Local businesses will be accessible throughout construction. Stay up-to-date on this road project at [CRgov.com/FoundersAllen](http://CRgov.com/FoundersAllen).

## Make your ColoradoScape dreams come true

Does your front yard suck? Water, that is. Typically, more than half of household water use goes toward outdoor irrigation and landscape. For Castle Rock, that means 1.3 billion gallons of water is being poured onto yards each summer. Castle Rock Water wants customers to transform to a water-wise ColoradoScape, and it's ready to help. Enter to win a free front yard ColoradoScape makeover valued at \$8,000!

Video entries are being accepted July 15 through Aug. 15. More information is coming soon, so check the Town's social media (@crgov) for details.



## National Night Out with CRPD Aug. 6

CRPD is joining the nation to celebrate National Night Out. On the first Tuesday each August, communities gather to promote police-community partnerships.

This year's event runs from 5 to 8 p.m. at the plaza at Philip S. Miller Park. Join us for a K-9 demonstration, a chance to learn about police units like SWAT, investigations and the Community Response Team, tours of police and fire vehicles, and free hot dogs and hamburgers. Learn more at [CRgov.com/NightOut](http://CRgov.com/NightOut).

## Help guide the plan for parks and trails

Outdoor amenities make Castle Rock a great place to call home, and maintaining that level of service is a priority for the Parks and Recreation Department. The Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan helps the department look ahead to future parks, open space, trails and recreation capital projects. The department needs feedback before the plan is presented to Town Council.

The proposed plan identifies new parks and new recreational facilities, and repair and replacement of existing outdoor amenities, indoor facilities and trails. Highlights of the plan include two new neighborhood parks; opening Rueter-Hess Reservoir for nonmotorized boating and fishing; improvements at Butterfield, Mitchell Gulch and Plum Creek parks; and planning and design of a new indoor recreational facility.

Learn more and submit feedback at [CRgov.com/parksplan](http://CRgov.com/parksplan).

## Butterfield Crossing closure keeps road improvements moving forward

When it comes to summer road construction, sometimes, things have to get worse before they can get better. That's certainly the case for planned road closures along Butterfield Crossing Drive.

Over the next few months, crews will remove the concrete and replace it with asphalt between North Meadows Drive and Meadows Boulevard. Some work began earlier this summer. Due to the unusually wet spring, phased closures are now necessary to complete the work before school starts.

The closure schedule is posted at [CRgov.com/Butterfield](http://CRgov.com/Butterfield). However, these dates are weather dependent. Motorists should use caution in the area, slow down and obey all traffic signage. More information, including detour maps and project information, is on the website.



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Water conservation and efficiency tip  
[CRconserve.com](http://CRconserve.com)

Do you have water pooling on the sidewalk but have no idea where it's coming from? The primary cause for excessive water is from overwatering, not underground springs or leaks. Recent rains have saturated yards, and any excessive irrigation is readily running off. Be sure to set your irrigation timer to cycle and soak, and talk to your neighbors about adjusting their watering schedule. Attend a Water Wisener workshop, or check out the Run Time Calculator on [CRconserve.com](http://CRconserve.com). Also, make sure drainage is directed away from your home and into your yard. Downspouts and sump pump outlets should not be directed toward the sidewalk. It can help to plant flowers and shrubs to soak up that water, but remember it may take a couple of years for plants to become established. Visit [CRgov.com/stormwater](http://CRgov.com/stormwater) for tips about excessive water issues.

## Events in Castle Rock

[CRgov.com/events](http://CRgov.com/events)

**July 7, 14, 21 & 28:** Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Festival Park.

**July 7, 14, 21 & 28:** Free Yoga in the Park, 9 to 10 a.m., the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park.

**July 10:** Raptors Over the Rock, 6 to 7:30 p.m., the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park

**July 11:** Coffee with a Cop, 2 to 3 p.m., The Grange in The Meadows.

**July 11 & 25:** Dirt Jumps & Donuts, 6 to 8 p.m., Rhyolite Bike Park.

**July 12, 19 & 26:** Free Fitness Fridays, 8 to 9 a.m., the Amphitheater at PSM Park.

**July 12:** Pedal the Moon, 5:30 to 9 p.m., Festival Park.

**July 13:** Castle Rock Summer Jam, 2 to 9 p.m., the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park.

**July 14, 20 & 28:** Paddle Days, 7:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Rueter-Hess Reservoir.

**July 16:** Fun in the Sun, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Douglas County Fairgrounds.

**July 17:** Reptiles Under the Rock, 6 to 7:30 p.m., the Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park.

**July 18:** Tunes for Trails, Perks for Parks — That Eighties Band, 6 to 9 p.m., the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park.

**July 20:** Castle Rock Winefest, 2 to 8 p.m., Butterfield Crossing Park.

**July 21:** Summer Concert Series — Clay Walker, 6 to 10 p.m., the Amphitheater at Philip S. Miller Park.

**July 26:** Western Heritage Welcome, 6 to 9 p.m., Downtown Castle Rock and Festival Park.

**July 27:** Douglas County Fair and Rodeo Parade, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Downtown Castle Rock.

**July 27:** Boots and Brews, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Festival Park.

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On the Web:  
**2018 Water Quality Report**

It's official, Castle Rock Water has received another stellar report for safe, clean and refreshing water. In 2018, our drinking water met all Federal and State regulations. Find our annual 2018 Water Quality Report with some of these test results at [CRgov.com/WaterQualityReport](http://CRgov.com/WaterQualityReport).