

UPCOMING EVENTS

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- **Pie Bake Off**
 - 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3
 - The Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park
- **Castle Rock Starlighting**
 - 2-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17
 - Downtown Castle Rock
- **Recreation Center and MAC Closed**
 - Thursday, Nov. 22
- **Storytellers and S'mores**
 - 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8
 - Festival Park
- **Santa Express Train Excursion**
 - 1:30-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9
 - Meet at the MAC for transportation to the Royal Gorge Santa Express Railway
- **Reindeer Games**
 - 3-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14
 - Amphitheater and Millhouse at Philip S. Miller Park
- **Recreation Center and MAC close at 2 p.m.**
 - Monday, Dec. 24
- **Recreation Center and MAC Closed**
 - Tuesday, Dec. 25
- **Christmas Tree Recycling at Founders, Metzler and Paintbrush parks and Douglas County Fairgrounds**
 - Wednesday, Dec. 26-Thursday, Jan. 31
- **Recreation Center and MAC close at 2 p.m.**
 - Monday, Dec. 31
- **Recreation Center and MAC Closed**
 - Tuesday, Jan. 1



Festival Park recognized through two prestigious awards

The Department is excited to announce that the community's redesigned and cherished park, located in the heart of Downtown Castle Rock, has received two awards within one year of completion. The Mountain States Division of Engineering News Record announced Festival Park as the winner of the Landscape/Urban Development category. This award identifies the best projects submitted across Utah,



Idaho, Montana, Colorado, North Dakota and South Dakota. Festival Park's design was also recognized through a Merit Award by the Coloradan American Society of Landscape Architects.

PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS – PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

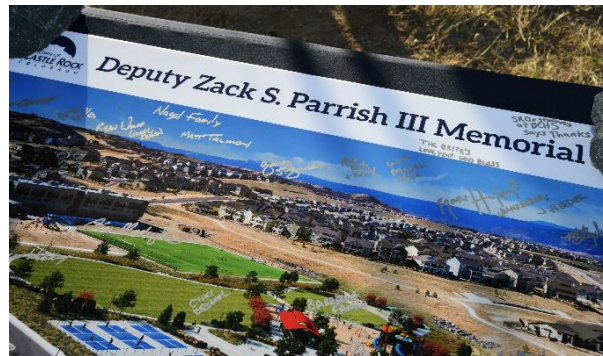
PREPARED BY BRIAN PETERSON, MANAGER OF PARK PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION

Deputy Zack S. Parrish III Memorial Park

A groundbreaking ceremony for Deputy Zack S. Parrish III Memorial Park was held on Oct. 17. Those in attendance included the wife of the fallen officer Zackari Parrish, Gracie Parrish, along with Mayor Jennifer Green, Town Manager Dave Corliss, Police Chief Jack Cauley and staff of Castle Rock Police and Fire, Douglas County Police and Douglas County Special Weapons and Tactics. The groundbreaking marked the official commencement of the construction of the future neighborhood park.



General contractor GoodLand Construction, Inc. has since mobilized on site, initiating the removal of top soil and the beginning stages of grading. Underground utility installation will soon begin, followed by concrete work for the site of six future pickle ball courts.



The 5.5-acre park, at the intersection of Low Meadow Boulevard and Red Hawk Drive, is planned to include infrastructure for bocce ball, cornhole and horseshoes. Picnic shelters, trails, a playground and a multi-use field will round out the major planned amenities. The project will be completed in summer 2019.

Central Service Center

The Town's new Central Service Center is beginning to take shape. This 13,000-square-foot building will host the Town's Parks Maintenance and Facilities divisions, located at the end of Caprice Drive near the former wastewater treatment plant. Building plans include five maintenance bays, indoor storage, a training facility, office space, a break room and a storage yard for equipment and material.

Throughout October, significant progress was made on the exterior and interior of the future building. The curb and gutter was installed, and the subgrade for future paving was graded to prepare for work in November. Parking lot lights were also installed and are now running on permanent power.



The project's final details are falling into place. Contractor staff set the window frames, measured glass for the windows and began mounting final trim pieces on the outside of the building. Next month, the trim will be completed and the garage doors installed. Inside the building, the concrete floor was placed, which allowed interior framing to commence. Plumbers and electricians followed behind the framing to install pipes and wires in the walls.

Metzler Ranch Synthetic Turf Conversion Project



The Metzler Ranch synthetic turf conversion project is a cooperative partnership between Castle Rock Water and the Parks and Recreation Department. The project will save over 6 million gallons of water per year through the removal of irrigated Kentucky bluegrass and replacement with synthetic turf on all four fields. The conversion will also improve the programming capability at the Town's signature lighted ballfield complex.

Staff advertised the project for competitive bidding through the Town's e-purchasing website. Four contractors submitted bids and Academy Sports Turf submitted the low bid.

Staff will recommend the approval of a construction contract with Academy Sports Turf at the Nov. 6, 2018 Town Council meeting. If approved, construction will begin in late November and be complete by March 1, 2019 to accommodate the spring baseball schedule.

TRAILS

PREPARED BY RICH HAVEL, TRAILS PLANNER

East Plum Creek Trail

The southern extension of the East Plum Creek Trail is a planned 2-mile segment that will connect its current ending at South Perry Street to Crystal Valley Parkway. In

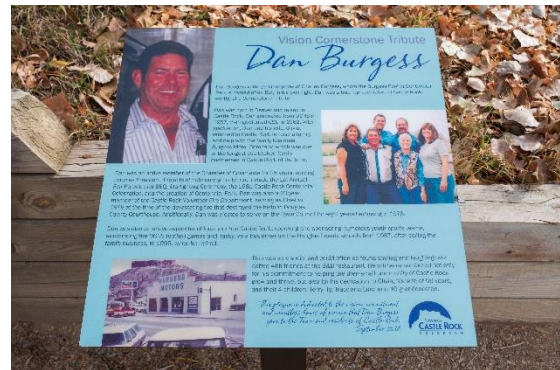
October, staff received Town Council approval of a contract with Hudick Excavating, Inc. for the construction of the trail. Hudick provided the lowest responsive bid and will begin work on the project once all of the necessary construction permits have been approved. A groundbreaking ceremony will be held on Thursday, Dec. 13 at noon. Construction will commence in late 2018 and will be complete by October 2019.

OPEN SPACE PROJECTS

PREPARED BY BARBARA SPAGNUOLO, NATURAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST

Burgess Vision Cornerstone Tribute

On Saturday, Oct. 27, a new sign for the Vision Cornerstone Tribute program was unveiled and dedicated in honor of Dan Burgess. Town Council created the Cornerstone Tribute award in 2007 to recognize individuals and organizations that help the Town reach the four cornerstones of its vision: town identity, community planning, community services and local economy. The sign was installed at Centennial Park, next to a memorial bench donated by widow Olivia Burgess and family.



Mr. Burgess' contributions to the Castle Rock community included involvement with the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce, Castle Rock Town Council, the Castle Rock Fire Department, Douglas County High School and the Douglas County School District. Mr. Burgess was a local business owner, a fire chief and a coach and sponsor of numerous local youth activities. Burgess was also one of the key family members to help raise funds to build Burgess Pool in memory of great uncle, Charles Burgess.

Special Events

PREPARED BY JENNIFER REINHARDT, EVENTS SPECIALIST AND HEATHER ROSSITER, SPECIAL PROGRAMS SUPERVISOR

October weather changed the leaves and transported the Department back in time for the Castle Rock Rec Totally Awesome 80's party. To mark the 30th anniversary of the Recreation Center and to showcase all of the facility's great amenities, staff hosted an eighties-themed party. The spin room was transformed with glowing lights, fun eighties music and blinking-light sunglasses, and fitness instructors wore leotards and leg warmers while patrons enjoyed a Flick n' Float screening of *The Goonies* in the lap pool. Nearly 300 people attended the event to celebrate the existence of the Community Recreation Center.



On Oct. 6, over 750 people braved chilly weather to compete in the Second Annual Castle Rock Trails Festival. The race combined the beloved LiveBIG Family Adventure Run with the Ridgeline Trail Races. Attendees can compete in a variety of distances from a 5K to an ultra-marathon and a family-friendly obstacle course. After finishing the race, participants enjoyed the last free concert of the season featuring The 6 Million Dollar Band.



This year's tenth annual Spooktacular was the largest yet with well over 2,000 people in attendance. Children and parents tried their luck with activities such as the cake walk, ring a ghost, bowling for mummies and the pumpkin can toss. Face painters did an excellent job helping kids look the part.



For the first time since the event's inception, the Department offered a sensory-friendly hour. Children with sensory sensitivities and special needs were able to attend Spooktacular with lessened noise and reduced crowds. Participants of the sensory-friendly hour were extremely grateful. One mother on social media commented, "The Spooktacular event at the MAC was so awesome! Many thanks to those that made it happen. I was so impressed that they offered little toy prizes as an alternative for those who are allergic. And for kiddos like my guy that don't do well out in the weather... You have no idea how much being able to participate in these events gives kiddos that can't walk or talk a bit of normalcy."



The month ended with snow and a Halloween celebration in Festival Park. Fangtastic Festival, hosted by the Downtown Merchants

Association, gave all the littlest ghosts and goblins a chance to trick-or-treat before the bigger kids got out of school. This great community event allowed for local merchants and businesses to come together with residents. Everyone enjoyed the costumes, pumpkin carving, face painting and hayrides.

Aquatics

PREPARED BY JANICE WEED, AQUATICS SUPERVISOR

To provide increased opportunities for patrons to enjoy the water, two Key Logs were purchased for use in the pools. Key Log Rolling is a fun activity inspired by the good old sport of log rolling. The synthetic logs float, spin and roll almost the same as how a real cedar log would react in the water. The logs will be available for anyone to use during scheduled times, as well for rent at private special events and birthday parties.



Parks Maintenance

PREPARED BY BOB MALONEY, MANAGER OF PARKS OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE



The Parks Division stayed busy lighting approximately 250 trees with over 75,000 twinkling lights in Downtown Castle Rock along Wilcox and Perry streets in preparation for the annual Starlighting event. Lighting will continue into the first two weeks of November.

Now that trees have lost foliage and turf is going dormant, Parks Maintenance can implement the necessary measures to winterize parks, turf and trees. Preparations include irrigation shut downs, athletic field conversions and plant and tree preparation. These precautions are implemented to ensure a quicker and more vibrant spring for the Town's turf and landscaping.