# Rotary Club of Castle Pines Newsletter - August 2025

Our first month of the 2025-2026 year is complete and I'm looking forward to August.

In July, we had two great meetings. The first meeting on July 14, we had Lin Miklas discuss the mental health program she is starting called 'Thrive'. She has done a tremendous job getting the program going and is hosting a 'community conversations' event at Castle Rock Middle School on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Our second meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup> featured Douglas County Sheriff Darren Weekly. His presentation was excellent, and we were all impressed by him and undersheriff Jason Kennedy. I was surprised to learn all the services and duties that our sheriff's department provides and how well-trained and respected they are across the state. We had three members from the satellite club as well as Cindy Chase, district governor elect in attendance. Terri Wiebold from the Castle Pines Connection was also in attendance and took the picture that is currently on the website. Alvaro Pisoni also presented a plaque to Bob Baker, retired chief of the South Metro Fire District.

## This Month's Meetings

August I I<sup>th</sup> – Nikki Brooker, Founder and CEO of YANA (You Are Not Alone) will be speaking. YANA supports mothers and their kids with programs like 'Strong Mamas, Thriving Babies'.

August 25<sup>th</sup> – Bill Gernert from the Satellite Club will speak on being an election judge. We will meet at the County Election offices if he can get permission to take us in.

#### Satellite Club

The Satellite Club will be hosting Castle Rock Mayor Jason Grey at El Meson this Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The address is 794 S Perry St, Unit E, Castle Rock.

On August 21st, they will have a speaker Irish Miner's memorial in Leadville, CO. The meeting will be at Wild Blue Yonder in Castle Rock at 6pm.

# Secretary Position Open

We are still looking for someone to serve as our club secretary. The role mainly consists of taking notes during our meetings and sending out the minutes. Let me know if you are interested in this position.

#### **Peach Sales**

We have one more week to get our peach orders in. Orders are due by August 9th and pickup is on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Douglas County High School. The link for ordering online is:

### Peach Sale | Rotary Club of Castle Pines

We will need volunteers from our club to help with pickup day. There is a sign-up page for volunteering on the calendar. Use this link to sign up:

Peach Pick-up | Rotary Club of Castle Pines

# Upcoming Events – See Calendar online for more information

August 7 – Satellite Club meeting – El Meson 6pm – Castle Rock Mayor

August 11 – Meeting – 7am – Speaker: Nikki Brooker (see above)

August 19 – Project Worthmore Volunteer Opportunity (Contact Steve Baroch)

August 19 – Social at Vic and Louise Hadad's 6pm (5060 Castle Pines Drive S)

August 21 - Satellite Club Meeting - Wild Blue Yonder - 6pm

August 23 – Peach Pick-up (see above)

August 25 – Meeting – 7am (see above)

September 4 – Satellite Club Meeting – Wild Blue Yonder – 6pm

September 8 – Meeting at Daniels Park to hear about the Bison Herd

September 16 – Social at Darrell Johnson's

September 18 – Satellite Club Meeting – Wild Blue Yonder – 6pm

September 22 – Meeting featuring Kaitlyn Stabell of the Douglas Land Conservancy