

# Park District Reports September 2020

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting  
October 6, 2020

## **SOUTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS**

- Park planner Joanne Lowden organized and coordinated with the Great Basin Institute a plant restoration project in Audrey Harris and Bartley Ranch park hillside. They planted over 1000 plants for restoration of the hillside that was burnt during the Caughlin Fire.
- Bowers mansion restoration work has been completed and tours resumed at the mansion on a limited basis.
- The annual KTMB Truckee River clean up occurred on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers helped with weed removal and park beautification projects at Crystal Peak Park, Mayberry Park, Dorostkar Park, and Ambrose Park.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Due to the pandemic, events are limited and there are no large events upcoming in the south district.

## **NORTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS**

- Staff has been busy with daily tasks in all of the parks because of the increase in use throughout the park system.
- A community cleanup was held at North Valleys Regional Park on July 25<sup>th</sup> as part of the Great Community Cleanup. The group of 30 was led by a local Eagle Scout in partnership with KTMB and focused on invasive weed and litter removal.
- Bird Art in the Park was held at Lazy 5 Regional Park. This two day instructional series taught participants how to use your drawing and photography skills to help identify and document different species of birds you encounter in our parks.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- As part of the Great Community Cleanup, we will be hosting a cleanup and work day at Lockwood Park on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Volunteers will be doing general litter and invasive removal as well as wrapping trees to prevent damage to our riparian ecosystem from beavers.
- The Porsche Club of America will be holding a Show and Shine in Rancho San Rafael Regional Park on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will be in place of their annual Concourse event because the number of participants must be limited due to the COVID-19 guidelines.