

Park District Reports May 2021

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting
June 1, 2021

South Region Highlights

- The KTMB Great Community Cleanup occurred at Bartley Ranch Park, Crystal Peak Park and Dorostkar Park with weed and planting. Approximately 120 volunteers helped in the 3 different parks.
- Bowers Mansion was opened for tours on May 15th and will offer tours on weekends through October.
- The plaster repairs were completed at Bowers Pool and the pool opened on May 29th.
- Hawkins Amphitheater hosted the commissioning of Nevada ROTC graduates on May 15th which coincided with Armed Forces Day.
- On May 21st Bowers Mansion celebrated the 75th anniversary as a Washoe County Park and the return of Programs on the Porch.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- K9 Partners will be returning to Bartley Ranch for the fundraising event in order to support the K9 unit for the Washoe County Sheriff's Department on June 26. There will be demonstrations and activities for all to enjoy.
- Bowers Mansion Park will host Programs on the Porch on Friday evenings June 4th, 11th, and 18th from 7pm. to 8pm. Performances will include cowboy poetry and an appearance from former President Teddy Roosevelt.

NORTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS

- The KTMB community cleanup was held on May 1st. Rancho San Rafael, North Valleys Regional Park, Sun Valley Regional Park and Lockwood Park were sites and had a great turnout and were able to clean up the sites at North Valleys and North Valleys as well as plant much needed native species at Lockwood Park and Rancho San Rafael Regional Park.
- Rancho San Rafael hosted an Eco Blitz in conjunction with UNR on May 7th to study the biodiversity and ecological communities in several representative areas in the park.
- Silver State Striders hosted their annual 50/50 run at Rancho San Rafael. This is an endurance run that has 50 mile and a 50 kilometer options.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- The Lazy 5 Summer Music Series will begin on June 23rd and go through August 25th. This series will feature local bands and refreshments available from local mobile vendors.
- All our reservable areas are very busy this month. We have many graduation parties and get togethers as people enjoy their ability get out and socialize again. Park use is at an all time high.