



Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting July 2023

SOUTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS

- Programs on the Porch at Bowers Mansion ran Friday evenings through June 23rd. They included wildlife interpretive programs.
- Bartley Ranch hosts Evenings on the Ranch on Wednesday evenings through August 2nd at 7:00 at the Plaza Pavilion. Programs are musical group performances.
- Artown is in full swing at the Robert Z. Hawkins Amphitheater at Bartley Ranch Regional Park with numerous shows weekly throughout the month of July.
- Galena Creek Regional Park is hosting the annual Campfire Programs on Friday evenings through July 28th with music and interpretive programs.
- Bowers pool has conducted swimming lessons this season and increasing capacity for lessons in the next session.
- Park Rangers Thomas Muratori and Bret Hartman will be guided a Ranger Walk at Dorostkar Park on Tuesday July 25th at 10am.

SOUTH REGION UPCOMING EVENTS

- Robert Z. Hawkins Amphitheater at Bartley Ranch Regional Park will be hosting the Sierra School of Performing Arts program "The Addams Family" from August 11th thru August 26th.
- KTMB will be hosting the annual Truckee River Clean Up on September 23rd. Washoe County Parks will be clean-up sites include Crystal Peak, Mayberry, Dorostkar, and Ambrose parks.



NORTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS

- The Lazy 5 Summer Concert series began on June 14th and will run through August 16th every Wednesday night at 6:30pm. The average attendance has been almost 900 people with some of the largest acts still to come.
- Dragon Lights Reno returned to Rancho San Rafael Regional Park June 30th-August 13th with “Nature’s Glow” 6pm-10pm nightly.
- The North Valleys splash park and Melio Gaspari splash park opened for the summer on June 16th and will be open through August 17
- On June 21st Park Ranger Celia Walker led a hike highlighting the Flora and Fauna in Rancho San Rafael Regional Park and surrounding area with 15 people in attendance
- Senior Meal Service began at the Westbrook Community Center location in Martin Luther King Jr. Park on July 17th.
- The Discovery Room at Rancho San Rafael has been hosting theme weeks for kids featuring arts craft and hands on fun on Wed-Fri through July 28th averaging more than 75 people per day.

NORTH REGION UPCOMING EVENTS

- On August 29th there will be a Ranger led hike at Rancho San Rafael highlighting the history of the park and the ranching history of the Truckee Meadows
- The Obsolete Iron Car Club will celebrate their 50th anniversary “Last Bash” Car Show at Lazy 5 Regional Park on September 3rd.
- The Great Reno Balloon Races will be returning to Rancho San Rafael September 8th-10th with an average annual attendance of more than 150,000 attendees.