

# Park District Reports December 2020

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting  
January 5, 2021

## **SOUTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS**

- Park Ranger interviews were conducted on December 17<sup>th</sup> with the assistance of Park Commissioner Jennifer Oliver. Candidates are being discussed and hiring should occur in January.
- Projects and clean ups in all of the parks have been the main focus of Rangers in the district. We readied the tree recycling location at Bartley Ranch Regional Park.
- The largest tree at Bowers Mansion Regional Park was blown over during our last big wind event. Fortunately, the park escaped with minimal damage to turf and planter areas. The wood from the tree was salvaged and will be used for campfire wood sales at Davis Creek Campground.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Bartley Ranch Regional Park will be one of the Christmas tree recycling sites through January 10<sup>th</sup>. It will also be a site that will have mulch available to the public.

## **NORTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS**

- Park Ranger staff handed out 40 trees to National Guard and foster families at Rancho San Rafael on December 4<sup>th</sup> with ornament and hot chocolate kits with Santa and Smokey Bear in attendance. The remaining trees were donated Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada and St. Vincent's.
- Rancho San Rafael Regional Park is be one of the Christmas tree recycling sites. The event began on December 26<sup>th</sup> and will run through January 10<sup>th</sup>. This is part of an ongoing partnership with KTMB to keep Christmas trees out of our landfills and open spaces areas.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Staff at Rancho San Rafael Regional will begin to implement plans for programming to celebrate 40 years of being a Washoe County park and an important part of our community.