



Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting
August 2, 2022

SOUTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS

- The Hawkins Amphitheater at Bartley Ranch hosted numerous shows at Bartley Ranch Regional Park. Monday nights were free to attend, and Thursday night shows were ticketed. Attendance averaged 800.
- Ranger Andy Brown hosted Campfire programs on Friday evenings at Galena Creek Regional Park.
- Rangers Bret Hartman and Thomas Muratori hosted Evenings on the Ranch at Bartley Ranch Regional Park on Wednesday evenings.
- Ranger Nick Steuer hosted wildlife information programs at Davis Creek Park on Saturdays, educating the public on bears, birds, bees and other wildlife that can be found in the park.

SOUTH REGION UPCOMING EVENTS

- South district Rangers will be conducting 2 Ranger walks in August. Ballardini trailhead on Sunday August 14th, at 10am., and Slide Mountain Trailhead on Tuesday August 23rd at 8pm.
- Hawkins Amphitheater will be hosting numerous performances by the Sierra School for the Performing Arts throughout the month of August.
- Bowers Mansion will be hosting the annual Bluegrass Festival on August 19th and 20th.
- Construction on the splash pad at Bowers Pool continues with hopes of opening it in early August.

NORTH REGION HIGHLIGHTS

- Rancho San Rafael hosted the 40th Anniversary celebration day on June 25th and included many activities from our various partners over the years including disc golf, hot air balloon launch, guided bike rides, a car show and live mural painting.
- Park Ranger Gabe Barbato led a hike at Sun Valley Regional Park and discussed the local ecosystem and how it changes over time as well as the animals that have adapted to live in that ecosystem.



- The Discovery room at Rancho San Rafael hosted theme weeks to engage children with crafts, hikes and story time all based on environmental and educational themes. The programs will continue through August 5th.
- Dragon Lights Reno has been very busy at Rancho San Rafael mesmerizing thousands of visitors a day while letting them experience some great aspects of the Chinese culture.

NORTH REGION UPCOMING EVENTS

- We will be hosting a Ranger walk at the Pah Rah interpretive Trailhead on June 12th at 10am. This is a short, paved walk that will highlight some of the rock formations in the area and discussing the interface between the our natural environments and our growing population
- The Lazy 5 Concert series will wrap up another successful season with Colin Ross August 3rd , In Kahoots on August 10th and ending with Jelly Bread on August 17th.
- Rancho San Rafael will continue to host Dragon Lights Reno through August 14th.