



Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting
August 2, 2022

May Arboretum Report May June

Highlights

- ◆ Dragon Lights Festival set up and commenced in late June
- ◆ New Horticulturalist started on June 6, 2022
- ◆ MAS Plant sale almost had a sellout of plants.

May Arboretum Environmental Educational Programs

- ◆ Rachel Dunn organized an event called “Botnay Bonzi” that allowed 200 individuals to learn tree identification.
- ◆ Washoe County Library started to hold story time in Burke Garden with an average of 45+ kids.

Tours

One tour was given to the Regency Club of South Reno

Reservations

Garden	# Of Reservations
Burke Garden	4
Honey’s Garden	7
Kristen’s Garden	1
Plaza Garden	3

Arboretum Operations

- ◆ Plans for the Pollinator Garden resume
- ◆ Dragon Lights Festival damages are being addressed and repaired
- ◆ Bids are being created for irrigation by Labyrinth, kiosk installment in Kleiner, retaining wall in Kleiner and fencing in rose garden through xeriscape. Bids are being done by All Seasons Lawn and Landscape.

Visitor Data

- ◆ The West gate had 9,464 visitors. The South gate however had some loss in data and had partially recorded 3,076 visitors. Estimated attendance from South gate based on past attendance would be about 16k. Total between the two would be 12,540 actual recorded or roughly 25,552 estimated.



Wilbur D. May Museum Report

July 2022

- The Museum currently has 2 art exhibitions- The Sierra Watercolor Society and “The Illusions of Safety” by Candida Webb and Karen Kreyeski. Attendance has been good.

Upcoming

- The Museum will have an open house during the balloon race in September.