



Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting
November 1, 2022

May Arboretum Report - September/October

Highlights

- ◆ Interviewed for the Horticulture Assistant position & Park Maintenance Worker position.
- ◆ Collecting bids for paver work on the slope leading up to the Cactus Garden.
- ◆ Cleaned up Greenhouse for winter.
- ◆ Dragon Lights damages to Arboretum accrued \$79,148.34.
- ◆ Columbus Garden Pergola has been taken down.
- ◆ MAS Picnic in the Park every Friday in September brought in thousands of people.

May Arboretum Environmental Educational Programs

- ◆ Still in search of an AmeriCorps Educator.

Tours

- ◆ Three tours were given. One was Washoe County Library, UNR Anthropology Class and Nevada New Comer's Club.

Reservations

- ◆ 7 Reservations in Honey's Garden
- ◆ 4 Reservations in Burke Garden

Arboretum Operations

- ◆ Plans for the Cactus Succulent Garden continues.
- ◆ Plans for a pollinator garden is continuing with schematics.
- ◆ Dragon Lights Festival damages are being addressed and repaired.
- ◆ IPM mitigation efforts continue to control the gray squirrel population.
- ◆ Replacement of 4 old valves with new pressure reducers to ensure longevity of equipment.
- ◆ Equipment is being prepped for fall clean up.



May Museum Report – September/October

Highlights

- ◆ The May Museum offered free admission during the Great Reno Balloon Race. Nearly 400 people visited the museum during the three day event.
- ◆ We have had several facility reservations. 12 weddings, 5 Celebrations of Life, 6 daytime meetings and the Battle Axe and Tracks event.

Upcoming

- ◆ Voting Location for the General Election Tuesday November 8, 2022.
- ◆ Sierra Watercolor Society's winter show and sale - "A Time for Challenges" November 9 - December 11, 2022.
- ◆ The Museum will host Art Angels Workshop –December 10. This popular event offers free watercolor instruction to children taught by Sierra Watercolor artists.
- ◆ Tuba Christmas-Saturday December 3, 2022.