



# STAFF REPORT

**Agenda Item:** 5.A

**Report To:** Open Space Advisory Committee  
and Parks and Recreation Commission

**Meeting Date:** June 20, 2023

**Staff Contact:** John Costello, Senior Park Ranger, ([jcostello@carson.org](mailto:jcostello@carson.org))

**Agenda Title:** For Discussion Only: Presentation from the Carson City Park Rangers regarding activities throughout Parks and Open Space. (*John Costello, [jcostello@carson.org](mailto:jcostello@carson.org)*)

**Staff Summary:** A presentation and update regarding Park Ranger activities throughout Parks and Open Space.

**Agenda Action:** Other/Presentation

**Time Requested:** 20 minutes

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## **Proposed Motion**

No Action – presentation only

## **Board's Strategic Goal**

Quality of Life

## **Previous Action**

N/A

## **Background/Issues & Analysis**

N/A

## **Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation**

N/A

## **Financial Information**

Is there a fiscal impact?  Yes  No

If yes, account name/number:

Is it currently budgeted?  Yes  No

Explanation of Fiscal Impact:

## **Alternatives**

N/A

A landscape photograph featuring a vibrant rainbow arching across a blue sky with wispy clouds. Below the rainbow, a town and distant mountains are visible. The foreground is filled with tall, dry, golden-brown grasses. A white wavy underline is positioned below the text.

# CARSON CITY PARK RANGER PROGRAM

# CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING

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Carson City Park Rangers completed a 40-hour course, Crisis Intervention Training with the Carson City Sherriff's Office.



# RANGER EXCELLENCE SCHOOL

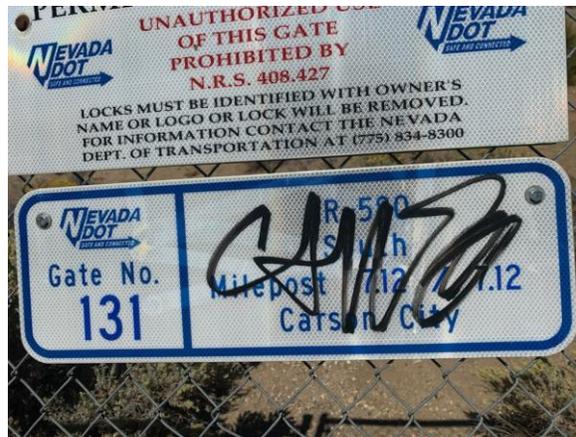
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This training focuses on safety, common certifications, and scenarios that were developed from real world experiences.



# MAINTENANCE TASKS

- Trash Can service
- Dog Waste Station Service
- Illegal dumpsite cleanup
- Graffiti removal
- Fence installation
- Sign installation
- Illegal camp cleanup





# TAILS AND TRAILS DOG ADOPTION EVENT

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The Nevada Humane Society  
teamed up with the Carson City  
Parks, and Recreation department.  
3 out of the 4 dogs were adopted  
in February 2022!

# LONE MOUNTAIN CEMETERY TOUR

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Participants made their way around the cemetery stopping at famous historical figure burial sites and learning about their lives. Expect visits from Henry Marvin Yerington, P.H. Clayton, Hank Monk, and more!



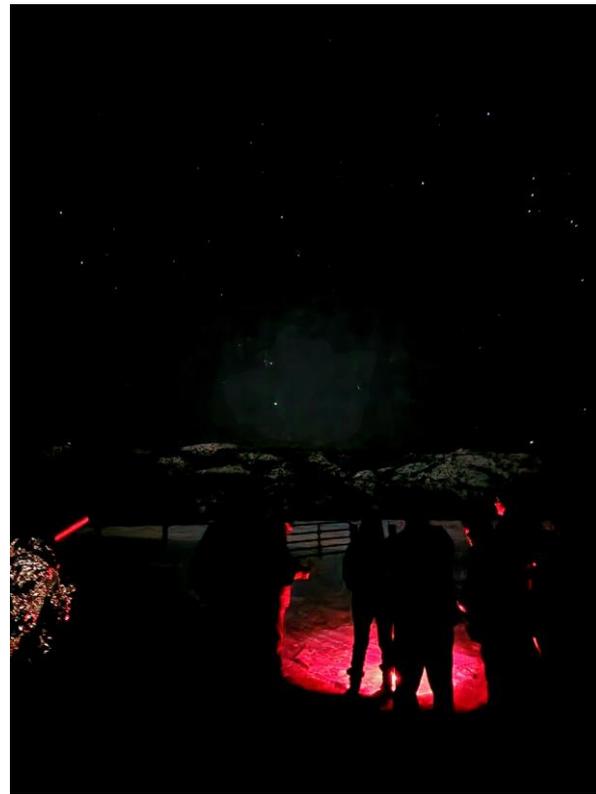


# JUNIOR RANGER DAY

An annual event dedicated to help kids complete their Junior Ranger Adventure Guides and be sworn as Jr. Park Rangers! Jr. Rangers had the opportunity to learn what it's like to be a park ranger and the responsibility that comes with the position from Carson City Park Rangers, Nevada State Park Rangers, and Washoe County Park Rangers!

# GALAXY TALK

The Carson City Park Rangers and Dr. Thomas Herring, Professor of Physics at WNC, hosted a star gazing event at Silver Saddle Ranch. Telescopes were set up around the Red House area and staff was around to educate about our solar system, the Milky Way Galaxy and much more!



# END TO END PRISON HILL PATROL

The Carson City Park Rangers led a group of individuals on a hike from the north end of prison hill to the south end of prison hill. Starting at the 5<sup>th</sup> St. Trailhead parking lot, ending at the OHV Staging area off Golden Eagle Lane. This was the longest hike ever offered by the Park Rangers. The length of the hike was 6 miles, along steep terrain with sandy sections and rock obstacles. The duration of the hike was approx. 4 hours long. We had 10 participants on our adventure!





# KIDS TO PARKS DAY 2023

Kids to Parks Day 2023 was held this year at Mills Park on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. We had 25 participating organizations and partners for the event, along with 8 sponsors. The event was held from 10am – 2pm where we had lots of games and activities for the kids, including Jr. Ranger Olympics. Bone Appetit Bar-B-Que and Scoops Ice Cream and Soup Bar were our food vendors for the event. Mayor Bagwell kicked off the event with the Kids to Parks Day Proclamation, setting the stage for an incredible day of outdoor play.



ANY QUESTIONS?