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Recreation and Park District  
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**GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY UPDATE  
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON ISSUES AND PROJECTS  
MARCH 2024**

**TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: MATHEW FUZIE, GENERAL MANAGER**

*The information contained in this report is intended to help keep the Board of Directors informed on current projects and study issues. Reported below is the most current and available information. Since work on these items is ongoing, the information is subject to rapid change. If a project or issue has not changed from the previous month's report, the information provided may be the same as was previously reported. Please note that some projects are not directed or managed by LARPD, but they are included below as informational only.*

**GENERAL SUMMATION:**

The weather has been notably milder than initially anticipated resulting in good water storage levels and, importantly, zero damages to date in comparison to the previous year. This is particularly encouraging given that we allocated approximately \$500 thousand dollars towards damage repairs last year.

As we transition into budget-building mode for the 24/25 fiscal year, it appears we will conclude the current fiscal year with a surplus. Looking ahead, we have one major budget item for next fiscal year – replacement of the artificial turf at Cayetano. Our investment income outlook is more positive than initially expected attributed to continued high interest rates.

For more detailed discussions on our financial projections and strategic planning, I encourage all board members to attend the upcoming Board Budget Workshop scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> of March. This session will provide a comprehensive overview of our financial standing and allow for in-depth discussions on key areas.

**Trails Update:**

Cemex has submitted plans for the trail at Lake A to the city for preliminary review. We have been included in the review process.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

In February, Board members attended two regular board meetings, one special meeting/Board Retreat, and four standing committee meetings. Additionally, Directors participated in meetings at the following:

- LARPD Foundation
- Livermore Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance
- Community Gardens
- Alameda County Agricultural Subcommittee on Trails

Board actions for the month included:

- Resolution No. 2805 authorizing the Governments of Livermore Financing Authority (GOLFA) Termination Agreement.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

### **HR Stats:**

The headcount for the District is holding steady at 105 benefitted positions and another 215 casual employees (active and inactive status). As we head into the summer recruiting months, many of the inactive employees will be activated.

### **Recruitment:**

Hiring and recruitment is picking up going into the summer months already at the District.

- February hires include 2 teachers, 1 office assistant and 1 natural resources technician.
- We have two candidates in pre-employment.
- We have 16 open requisitions. Many of the requisitions have multiple seasonal jobs associated.

On 2/14 HR attended a career fair at Las Positas college that was targeted towards college internships. The career fair precipitated several applications for the LARPD summer internship programs.

On 2/28 HR attended a Career Fair at Granda High School which was focused on exposing high school students to future career paths and opportunities. The students were assigned to ask specific questions about their careers of interest. It was also a wonderful opportunity to share LARPD's summer hire postings. Many other organizations attended including community organizations, police and fire and other parks and recreation districts. Attendance was high and we enjoyed much traffic to our LARPD booth. We expect several students to apply for summer positions.

### **Training:**

HR provided supervisor training on the new recruitment process and onboarding tool on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Organizational moves and changes:**

Much of what HR does is behind the scenes work. This month we have made 39 organizational changes, mostly within Business Services and Open Space. These changes include updating managers, supervisors, and/or coordinators; updating timesheet profiles; and updating approval workflows in UKG. Every time an organization change occurs it has a ripple effect on systems, documentation, and reference materials.

**Projects:**

- Cornerstone Learning Management System (LMS) – we will be implementing single sign on through UKG/Kronos (HR information system) to make it as easy as possible for employees to login and complete training. HR will also be implementing the certifications module for the LMS which will enhance the compliance tracking and notification process.
- HR has completed the analysis phase of the compensation survey.
- The CLEAR applicant tracking and onboarding tool is being utilized for our current requisitions.

**Coming – March Madness event for employees 3/15.**

**FINANCE:**

1. Preliminary financial results through the month of January 2024 are as follows:  
Total revenues through January are relatively on budget at \$12.496 million. There was a timing issue related to the sale of District-owned vehicles, which would have brought in roughly \$428k in revenue during the month; however, the vehicles have not yet sold, so the revenue will be realized in the coming months. Salary and benefits expenses are 3% better than budget at \$7.660 million, and services and supplies expenses are slightly over budget (2%) at \$5.316 million. Operating Capital continues to appear very favorable, largely due to a few projects that were budgeted in FY23-24 but will no longer be completed this fiscal year (\$150k for Robertson Park Field 3, \$200k for ESS Building Upgrades). As a result, the bottom line for FY23-24 through January is \$215k better than budget, though this will increase when the proceeds from the vehicle sales are received.
2. Finance distributed budget models to supervisors and managers, who are currently working to complete them ahead of the March 13<sup>th</sup> Board Budget Workshop. These models will be used to provide the Board with an update as to where the District anticipates ending the current fiscal year and will also lay the foundation for the upcoming fiscal year (FY24-25).
3. The long-awaited effort to restructure the District's chart of accounts was completed at the end of February. Staff will now be able to begin work on many of the finance goals and objectives that have, up until now, been hindered by the need to update the relatively ineffective chart of accounts. Some of these objectives include the implementation of the fixed assets and purchasing modules in the Great Plains accounting system, automation of Cal Card processes, and the implementation of a new budget tool.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

**Youth Services:**

**Extended Student Services** – Enrollment is increasing, and classrooms are filling up! We will be participating in the School District's Kindergarten registration process on Feb 28 and 29 at the RLCC. We will have the opportunity to meet new families and describe our program to them.

February is always a fun month with everything red and pink! All sites had celebrations and made fun cards for their families.

We said farewell to one of our ESS Coordinators this month. Lesley Shaw, the coordinator at Croce ESS, retired after ten wonderful years with us. She will be missed. Tina Fuller, the former coordinator for Junction ESS, has taken her position, and we are happy to have her at Croce.

**Preschool** - We held our priority registration for currently enrolled three-year-olds, Tiny Tots, to begin the four-year Pre-K program next year. In February, we also hold our general registration for both Tiny Tots and Pre-K at Trevarno in the morning. This is always a well-attended turnout.

Preschool also enjoyed February, making valentines and celebrating with their families on the big day. The children are making great progress in their learning, and we are all so proud of them.

**Community Outreach:**

LARPD collaborated with Valley Humane Society in February to recognize Boomer Bowers as Livermore's Inaugural Ambassadog. The press release was shared widely and embraced by the community, generating positive feedback and engagement.



Additionally, email communication, social media, peach jar, [www.larpd.org](http://www.larpd.org) continued to connect the community with our programs. Throughout the month the team sent 20,744 emails with a 66% open rate (37% industry average) between the District-Wide Newsletter, Senior Prime Time, Open Space Valley Wilds, and Senior Pop-Up Trip Emails. Across our social media accounts, 69 posts were shared, generating 241K impressions. Highlights included photos from the Daddy-Daughter Dance, flood information from Sycamore Grove Park, and celebrating Boomer as the Ambassadog. On [www.larpd.org](http://www.larpd.org), February page views were 112k with the most visited pages being the Events Calendar, Activity Guide, Rental Sites, Camp Shelly, and Sycamore Grove Park.

**Information Technology:**

This month, IT launched the first of a series of trainings around Microsoft 365, specifically reviewing the basics of SharePoint and Teams. These are meant to be quick training with practical tips to help employees get the most out of the available tools to help serve the community. We also upgraded the network at the Maintenance Service Center. The team is working with IT consultants to ensure this network is safe and effective. We hope it will be available for use in early March.

**Volunteer Program:**

Love was in the air as dozens of volunteers created over 700 Valentine's Day Cards delivered to seniors at the senior lunch program, 50+ activities, and distributed to several of the senior living communities throughout Livermore. Volunteers also assisted with the Daddy-Daughter Dance on February 10 and worked with Livermore Seniors on technology tutoring.

**Open Heart Kitchen Meal Program:**

Open Heart Kitchen transitioned its community meal program from RLCC to the brand-new Vineyard Resource Center located at 450 N. Livermore Ave beginning on Monday, January 22. Community meals will be available Monday-Fridays from 12 pm – 5 pm, no reservations necessary. Senior meals will continue at RLCC Monday-Friday from 12-1 pm.

February Meals:

**Senior Meal Program:** 716 meals served to 72 seniors

**Hot Meal Program:** 1420 meals served

**Upcoming Key Dates/Events:**

**Senior Pop-Up Trip "Stomp" at Gallo Theater for the Arts (50+):** Saturday, March 2 at 2:30 pm at the Bankhead Theater. The first 100 years of American history are told in 100 minutes! With Professor Greg Jackson guiding us through some of the greatest points in American history. Laced with sarcasm and humor...this show is the perfect way to learn and have fun simultaneously. [MORE INFO](#)

**Livermore Half Marathon:** Sunday, March 3. The Livermore Half Marathon will start and end in Downtown Livermore and highlight some of LARPD and Livermore's jewels running through Sycamore Grove Park and Holdener Park. [MORE INFO](#)

**Spring Swim Lessons Registration Begins** Monday, March 4 at 9am. The aquatics team is launching the new "Ages and Stages" swim lesson program and adding spring lessons. [MORE INFO](#)

**Tri-Valley Haven Food Pantry Donation Drive:** Ends Friday, March 22. LARPD has partnered with the Tri-Valley Haven Food Pantry to support families in need within the Tri-Valley. LARPD will accept donations Monday, 02/05/24, through Friday, 03/22/24. [MORE INFO](#)

**Ravenswood Docent Tours:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 12 – 4 pm. Ravenswood Historical House will be open to the public on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for docent-led tours. [MORE INFO](#)

**Mystery Movie at the Vine (50+):** Wednesday, March 13. Join us for a mystery movie at the Vine Cinema with friends! We'll be surprised by what we see. After the show, join us for

appetizers at Zephyr Grill and Bar to chat about the movie and develop our collective "review" of the film. [MORE INFO](#)

**Muffins with Bunny:** Saturday, March 23 at RLCC. Muffins with Bunny is returning to the Robert Livermore Community Center. Hop on over and join us for a day of spring fun. Muffins, snacks, games, and crafts; you can even take a picture with the Bunny, so don't forget to bring your camera! [MORE INFO](#)

**Summer Program Registration (Livermore Residents):** Wednesday, March 27 at 9 am: the community is invited to spend their summer with LARPD! They will be able to sign up for camps, programs, and classes at [www.larpd.org/guide](http://www.larpd.org/guide). Open registration begins Friday, March 29 at 9 am. [MORE INFO](#)

**Spring Egg-Stravaganza:** Saturday, March 30, at Sycamore Grove Park. Join the Rangers at Sycamore Grove Park for a Springtime Egg-Stravaganza! We will learn all about egg-cellent adaptive eggs. We will have five different start times for egg hunts, a look at some of our local bird nesting habits and egg specimens, and some egg-citing egg-speriments! [MORE INFO](#)

**Aquatics:**

	Purchased		Usage
<b>Lap Swim</b>			
Lap Swim Light	17		113
Lap Swim Senior Light	33		215
Lap Swim Unlimited	4		58
Lap Swim Senior Unlimited	19		250
Adult Drop In	253		253
Senior Drop-in	296		296
<b>Lap Swim Totals</b>	<b>622</b>		<b>1185</b>
<b>Water Exercise</b>			
Water Ex Light	0		0
Water Ex Senior Light	9		66
Water Ex Unlimited	0		0
Water Ex Senior Unlimited	11		123
Water Ex Adult Drop-in	5		5
Water Ex Senior Drop-in	73		73
<b>Water Exercise Total</b>	<b>98</b>		<b>267</b>
<b>Swim Team</b>			
LAC	300		
Masters	50		
<b>Swim Team Total</b>	<b>350</b>		

**Open Space:**

• **Programs/Events:**

- Youth programs
  - For ages 2 to 16, all our Open Space youth programs are in full swing. In February:
    - Sprouts started exploring the world of plants with their senses.
    - Sycamore Science Campers said goodbye to Smokey Bear as we wrapped up our unit on Fire before taking flight with the element of Air.
    - Junior Rangers hiked to Little Yosemite in nearby Sunol Wilderness Regional Preserve, nature journaling and enjoying the rain.
    - Ranger Explorers went off the beaten path to see Sycamore Grove Park from a new perspective and take in the ever-changing arroyo.
  - These youth programs run throughout the school year, connecting youth to the natural world close to home and hopefully starting them on a life of stewardship.
- Family Science Nights
  - Open Space staff attended 3 Livermore elementary schools this month for their Family Science Night events, interacting with over 1200 attendees and highlighting the local wildlife that also calls Livermore home.
- February is for the Birds
  - Our thematic month in celebration of birds was a success. We were sad to have to cancel a handful of events due to the weather, including our volunteer day, but still highlighted birds through articles in the Valley Wilds newsletter, our "Picture This!" photo contest and display at Sycamore Grove Park, and six free interpretive programs including one partnership program with the Livermore Public Library.

• **Park Updates/Natural Resource Management:**

- **Release from the dam:** The rain and run-off from the series of February storms raised the level of the Del Valle Reservoir to the limits of safe operation levels, leading the Department of Water Resources to begin emergency flood release protocols starting February 5th. With discharges upwards of ~850 CFS (cubic feet per second), this was the first high flow release the park has experienced following the repairs from last year's incredible flooding; for reference, last year's flood releases reached over 3000 CFS at times. Repairs appeared to hold with this level of release. Releases at this level submerged the paved path near the Arroyo Entrance to Sycamore Grove Park.
- **Storm damage:** The high flow releases from the dam, in addition to high winds, downed trees and widomakers, and related storm hazards, led park staff to close Sycamore Grove Park and then close sections of the park throughout the

month to ensure visitor safety. Rangers promptly and safely conducted tree work along with outside contractors to make the Veteran’s Park portion of Sycamore Grove Park safe for visitors. The cleanup was an excellent opportunity to provide training to new ranger staff. Rangers bucked up a majority of the fallen debris but also left brush piles to provide habitat for wildlife. Additionally, water bars installed by ranger staff and volunteers last year on Wagon Loop and Cattail Trail have helped prevent excessive storm damage and appear to be holding with this month’s rainfall.

- **Cattail Pond:** Ranger staff have been working to clear the overgrowth of cattails and other vegetation at Cattail Pond at Sycamore Grove Park. Overgrown vegetation can negatively impact local wildlife – removal provides wildlife access to this vital water source for basic habitat, drinking water, and breeding grounds. Removal of the vegetation will also ensure that the surrounding infrastructure remains intact. This has the added benefit of providing visitors with a clearer view of the pond. Ranger staff is also working to replace the turtle rafts at the pond.

- **Upcoming:**

- With spring right around the corner, Open Space excitedly anticipates all the season will bring to the park – green hills, wildflowers, nesting birds, (hopefully) more rain, and increased visitor use. We are also preparing for more programs and events with nicer weather this next month, including Brushy Peak Adventure, Leprechauns Traps, Eggstravaganza, Livermore Valley Half Marathon, and more.
- April’s “Picture This!” photo contest theme will be Macro Photography. The contest continues to highlight Sycamore Grove Park wildlife and park users.

SharePoint link for photos: [☐ 02FEB24 Open Space Monthly Report Media](#)

<b>FEBRUARY 2024 Open Space</b>	<b># of programs</b>	<b># Participants (TOTAL)</b>
<b>Open Space School Programs</b>	7	136
<b>ASES/ELOP</b>	4	98
<b>Ranger Programs</b>	7	91
<b>Sprouts</b>	2	0
<b>Sycamore Science Camp</b>	5	94
<b>Ranger Explorers</b>	1	8
<b>Special Events</b>	4	1203
<b><i>February'24 Estimated Totals</i></b>		<b>1658</b>



**Senior Services:**

**Classes:**

- Senior Services Recreation Classes and Programs (Setup & Takedown average 30 minutes/week/program, except for Zumba, and Yoga)

<b>Program/Camp</b>	<b>Monthly Registration</b>
Gentle Strength, Balance, & Coordination – 2 classes	74 registrants
Chair Strength, Balance, & Flexibility – 2 classes	16 registrants
Zumba Gold w/ Alice – 5 classes	52 registrants
Zumba Gold w/ Christina – 2 classes	25 registrants
How to Write A Book in Six Weeks (ZOOM)	8 registrants
Line Dancing w/ Delores (Beginner)	14 registrants
Line Dancing w/ Gary – 3 classes	38 registrants
Yoga for Self-Care	9 registrants
3-D Greeting Cards – 1 class	9 registrants
Healthy Living: Introduction to Alzheimer’s	4 registrants
Medi-Cal Eligibility & Home & Community-Based Services (LAS)	3 registrants
Sensational Seniors: Your Life, Your Choices: Finances	4 registrants
<b>Total Registered:</b>	<b>256 registrants</b>

February senior fitness programs are still showing strong numbers in most areas. Our FREE seminar topics with Alzheimer’s, Legal Assistance for Seniors, and Sensational Seniors were down just a bit.

**Trips:**

This month, 44 of our active seniors took a trip to the infamous Winchester Mystery House for a docent-guided tour of the 40 bedrooms, 6 kitchens, 10,000 windows and stairways leading nowhere! It was an amazing and revealing experience, followed by shopping and lunch on their own across the street at Santana Row.

**Activities:**

To ring in the month of February 2024, the Senior Services team of Kathy, Phyllis, and Gayle were invited by the Retired Public Employees Association to give a presentation to their lunch group, sharing the offerings of the Senior Services Resource and Referral Office, as well as activities and day trip opportunities.

Representatives from City Serve set up an information table in the lobby of RLCC to answer questions from the public and generate awareness of their resources.

The Senior Services Team was treated to a tour and presentation at the newly established Vineyard Resource Center to learn more about the services provided to the underserved public and to share information with the community.

A Bankhead Theater outing was a sellout hit, with 33 folks attending ‘History that Doesn’t Suck’ on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Most guests enjoyed a no-host dinner after the show with a five-minute walk downtown to Bruno’s Italian Cuisine.

On February 7<sup>th</sup>, a sell-out group of 20 movie-goers attended the monthly Mystery Movie at the Vine, viewing the movie “American Fiction”. The group collectively gave it a 4-star rating during the discussion afterward at the Zephyr Grill.

A group tour of the Olivina Olive Oil Company located in the vineyards of Arroyo Road was enjoyed on February 13<sup>th</sup> by a capacity crowd of 27 guests. A discount coupon was offered for those purchasing olive oil, after which time they all gathered to socialize and enjoy lunch hosted by LARPD.

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, a sellout crowd of 24 Seniors led by Kathy and Gayle had a great time creating their own tabletop silhouette lampshades, complete with functional USB outlets for use on an end table or nightstand.

In our Vintage Lounge, Netflix movies continue to be shown on alternating Mondays each month at 1:00 pm.

To round out the month’s activities, a capacity crowd of 22 Seniors was guided on a historical walk along Trevarno Road, led by Trevarno resident Susan Canfield of the Livermore Heritage Guild. This ever-popular walk will be repeated in the Fall, as there were 31 people on the waiting list in hopes of experiencing the informative tour.

You can find pictures from our trips and activities on LARPD social media outlets.

**Facility Rentals:**

Facility rentals are held at the Ravenswood Historic Site, the Robert Livermore Community Center, and the Veterans Memorial Building. Facility rental information is located on our website at [larpd.org](http://larpd.org).

Facility	Type of Activity	Total Rentals for the Month	Total Monthly Hours
Ravenswood	Facility Rentals	0	0
Ravenswood	Wedding Rehearsals	0	0
Ravenswood/RLCC	Facility Rental Tours	15	15
Ravenswood	Photo Permits	0	0
RLCC	Facility Rentals	19	171
RLCC	On-going Rentals	1	14
<b>Total Facility Rentals for the Month:</b>		<b>36</b>	<b>156</b>

**Facility Operations:**

Facility operations staff are scheduled Monday through Friday from 7:30 am-10:00 pm to support District-wide facility operations, programming, and custodial. Weekend hours vary depending on programming and facility rentals.

- Day-to-Day Operations & District Support

Operations	Staff	Days	Time	Total Hours Weekly	Total Hours Monthly
Outlying Facility Restroom Cleaning: Ravenswood, Carnegie, & Vets Hall (Raquel)	1	M/Tu (Friday as needed)	6:30 am-9:30 am	Between 4-6	Between 16 and 20
RLCC Operations & Custodial (Contractor)	3	M-F	7:30 am-10:00pm	217.5	870
RLCC Operations & Custodial (LARPD- days / Contractor- nights)	2	Sat/Sun	8:00 am-8:00 pm	24	96
Park Restrooms: Field Rentals (Contractor)	2	Sat	8:00 am-8:00 pm	24	48
Park Restrooms: Field Rentals (Contractor)	2	Sun	7:00 am-3:00 pm	16	32

- Community Services program and service support

Program	Task	Staff	Days	Total Hours Weekly	Total Hours Monthly
Open Heart Kitchen	Setup & Takedown	2	M-F	10 hours	40 hours
Pet Food Distribution	Setup & Takedown	2	Wednesdays	30 minutes	2 hours
Occasional Events (Seniors; 1-2/mo.)	Setup & Takedown	2	Days vary	30 minutes	1 hour
Livermore Rotary Meetings	Setup & Takedown	2	Wednesdays	1 hour	4 hours
Line Dancing	Setup	1	Tuesdays, Thursdays	30 minutes	4 hours
Golden Circle & Learn to Knit!	Setup & Takedown	2	Mondays	30 minutes	2 hours
Movie Madness	Setup & Takedown	1	Mondays	1 hour	2 hours
Mah Jong	Setup & Takedown	1	Wednesday	30 minutes	2 hours

Bridge	Setup & Takedown	1	Thursday & Friday	1 hour	4 hours
Tai Chi	Setup & Takedown	2	Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays	30 minutes	2 hours
3-D Geeting Cards	Setup & Takedown	1	Friday	30 minutes	1 hour
Gentle Strength, Balance, and Flexibility	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday, Thursday	30 minutes	2 hours
Chair Strength, Balance, and Flexibility	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday, Thursday	30 minutes	2 hours
February Crafting Social	Setup & Takedown	1	Wednesday	15 minutes	30 minutes
LAYAC Meeting	Setup & Takedown	2	Monday	15minutes	15 minutes
LARPD Foundation Meeting	Setup & Takedown	1	Monday	15 minutes	15 minutes
AARP Tax Season	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday	30 minutes	2 hours
AC Ag Subcommittee	Setup & Takedown	2	Tuesday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Trails Meeting	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Pesticide Safety Training	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Community Garden Meeting	Setup & Takedown	1	Tuesday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Healthy Living: Introduction to Alzheimer's	Setup & Takedown	1	Wednesday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Medi-Cal Eligibility Home & Community Based Services (LAS)	Setup & Takedown	1	Thursday	15 minutes	15 minutes
Sensational Seniors: Your Life, Your Choices: Finances	Setup & Takedown	1	Thursday	15 minutes	15 minutes
LARPD Board Meeting	Setup & Takedown	1	Wednesday	30 minutes	1 hour

**Sports Facility Rentals:**

Baseball/softball fields were open for use as of January 29, weather dependent. The locations include Altamont Creek, Bill Payne, Robert Livermore, Randy Johnson, Ernie Rodrigues, and Max Baer. Grass soccer fields are slated to open in early March, weather dependent.

LARPD is supplying field space for Granada High while their fields are being renovated. GHS baseball will be at Max Baer, and GHS softball will be at Ernie Rodrigues.

With much rain received in February, the sports field crew was busy pumping water off the fields in between the rainy days. At Ernie Rodrigues alone, in one day the team pumped approximately 480 gallons of rainwater off of one field! The team has been hard at work replacing base pegs, painting backstops, renovating bullpens, adding infield mix and working the infields to make a safe playing surface, claying batters' boxes, etc. Opening day for Little League is March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Group picnic reservations are starting to be received for preparation of sites opening in March. There will be three new sites available for rent: Les Knott, Upper Independence, and an additional small site in May Nissen. A new site will open at Pleasure Island Park later in the picnic season once site prep has been completed.

Cavaliers Rugby hosted the largest all-girls rugby tournament on the West Coast. Talent scouts from Ivy League schools such as Dartmouth, Princeton, Yale, Bowdoin, etc. were on site to see approximately 300 high school and middle school girls from Rugby clubs across CA.

NorCal State Cup is a premier soccer event for youth soccer teams in Northern CA. This event was at Robertson Park for U11-U13 soccer players.

<b>Park Location</b>	<b>Total Rentals</b>	<b>Total Rental Hours</b>
Robertson Park	75	244
Cayetano	46	110
Ernie Rodrigues	32	83
Robert Livermore	0	160
Christensen	0	0
Max Baer	37	113
Independence	0	0
Altamont Creek	40	80
Bill Payne	48	160
Hagemann	0	0
May Nissen Pickleball Courts	46	113
Gymnasium	120	288
<b>Total</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>1351</b>

**Sports & Fitness Programs/Classes/Events:**

Love was in the air at LARPD's Daddy-Daughter Dance – An Enchanted Evening. Hearts were aflutter, where daughters and their father-figures created unforgettable memories. The event was a resounding success. With two sessions, one for littles and one for big girls, the event drew nearly 500 attendees!

The enchanting evening was filled with delightful treats, including a decadent chocolate fountain snack table and whimsical cotton candy station, adding a touch of sweetness to the festivities. What's a royal affair without tiaras and crowns? Every little princess received her regal adornment and every dad his crown, making them proper royalty that night. However, the real showstopper was the highly anticipated balloon drop, which had everyone chanting for its magical descent.

With fluorescent flare, our Kids' Night Out lit up the gym last Saturday night. Forty kids participated, ages 6-12 and our NEW group of pee wees ages 3-5, got their neon on under the black lights. Coach Wes and Coach Carlie led the campers in a game of freeze tag, a dance party, and the brightest game of basketball and dodgeball you ever did see!

Kids' Night Out is offered once a month and is a popular activity with kids and parents alike. Kiddos hang out with us for three hours of fun and get a pizza dinner while mom and dad get a night off - everyone wins! Upcoming Kids' Night Out themes include basketball, dodgeball, Disney, Lego/Duplo, and our splashing summer series of Kids' Night Out at the Pool.

The Recreation team is now going out to the ESS sites to offer After School PE for TK through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and also providing activity and movement sessions at all of the LARPD Preschool sites.

<b>Program</b>	<b>Total Registered Participants</b>
LARPD Pee Wee Classes	31
LARPD Basketball League	118
LARPD Hot Shots Basketball Club	15
LARPD Small Group Training Club	20
LARPD Kids Night Out	40
LARPD Cheerleading	34
Arora Tennis	48
Youth/Adult Karate	27
Youth/Adult Hip Hop	22
Wee Hoops Basketball	9
Adult Yoga	31
Pickleball Introduction (adult)	24
Drop In Pickleball	303
Club VIP Volleyball	47
Ballet	58
<b>Total Participants Served:</b>	<b>827</b>

**FACILITIES AND PARK MAINTENANCE:**

The winter rains finally arrived in the first week of February. High winds scattered debris on roofs, in parking lots and throughout our parks and facilities. Though the damage was insignificant compared to the storms of 2023, there was still much clean up needed by both Parks and facilities staff.

Storm Debris at May Nissen





Storm Debris at Little House.



There are many other peripheral duties required during inclement weather. Several LARPD buildings have basements that flood when we get rain. Each of these have

sump pumps to pump out the water. These must be regularly inspected and maintained to prevent flooding.

Clogged gutters and downspouts can lead to roof leaks. After every storm, staff inspect roofs, drains, gutters and downspouts to ensure that they are flowing freely.

Flooded streets and sidewalks often lead to flooded telephone and electrical boxes. This February staff responded to interruptions in both phone and electrical systems at multiple locations, due to water intrusion.

In an effort to meet the growing demand for reservation picnic sites, the Facilities and Parks crews have teamed up with the Recreation team to create 5 new picnic reservation sites, located at May Nissen Park, Ida Holm Park, Les Knott Park, Independence Park, and Cayetano Park. The amenities at each site will vary, but they include BBQ grills, picnic tables and shade structures. The Facilities crew is building and installing reservation Kiosks that identify the reservation area. They will also complete any concrete work. The Parks crew will complete the turf and irrigation modifications as needed. Rentals will start as early as next month.

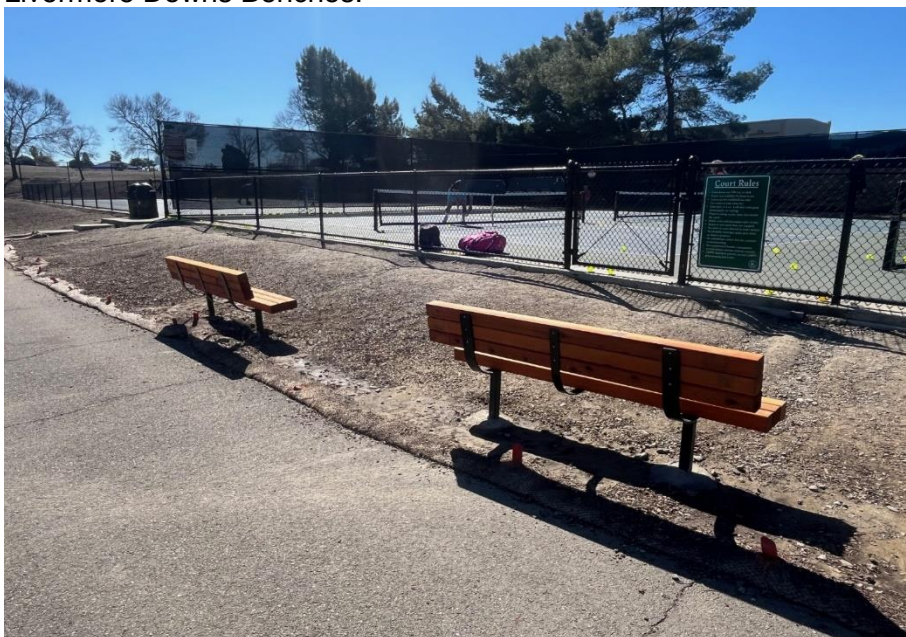


Reservation kiosk at Les Knott



Pickleball is growing faster than anyone could have imagined a few years ago. At the request of the players at Livermore Downs Park, staff refurbished and installed two benches for the players' use in between matches. Because we were able to repurpose the benches that had been removed from another location, the project was very cost effective and much appreciated.

Livermore Downs Benches.



In February we continue to add to our vehicle fleet. Six new vehicles arrived this month and LARPD mechanic Tracy Castro is diligently working to get the new trucks configured for service, while at the same time, decommissioning the old vehicles and preparing them for sale. The sale of the vehicles is coordinated by our fleet partner, Enterprise. The Facilities team stepped up to help Tracy expedite the transition by aiding in the decommissioning process.

February seemed to fly by because there was so much to do in Facilities. In addition to the forementioned projects, the Facilities team also completed the following:

- Electric lock/handset replacement at the Robertson Park Restrooms.
- Door repairs at the Carnegie building.
- Drinking fountain repairs throughout the District.
- Playground equipment repairs/replacements.
- Plumbing repairs.
- Graffiti abatement at May Nissen, Sunken Gardens and Livermore Downs.
- HVAC maintenance and repairs.
- Painting.
- Grooming of the synthetic fields at Robertson Park.
- And still more...

**Parks Maintenance:**

February's activities included 5 weeks doing the dormant pruning at Ravenswood Historic of all the roses and then planting 24 new bare-root roses. New soil was brought in and restructuring of the borders on the outside of both rose gardens. 45 cubic yards of mulch was spread out throughout the majority of the Historical site by three men. No Tractor required! Some mulching was also spread at Independence sports field.

Storm cleanup resulted in the loss of 7 trees, with ongoing safety pruning on large trees. Sports field maintenance, include light field maintenance, repairs, overseeding and infield lip leveling. Pre-emergent herbicide applications continued throughout the District. Throughout the month, efforts concentrated on safety, maintenance, and beautification initiatives.

**HERBICIDE TOTALS: 981 Gallons of Pre & Post Emergent**

**GRAFFITI/VANDALISM: 28 hours.**

**IRRIGATION REPAIRS:**

HEADS	VALVES	LATERALS	MAINLINE	SHUTOFF
43	4	2		



Tree Health Improvement Plan: Mulching tree wells via soil amendments for all trees.



Ravenswood Historic entrance

Ravenswood Rose Garden





Ravenswood Historic mulching with John Mottashed, Pedro Martinez and Matt Haugland



Independence Park

**Mechanic's Shop:**

**Vehicle service and repairs:**

- V26-Prep for auction
- New vehicles prep 273JC2 running boards
- 273JHL- changed trailer plug
- 2735AS- New vehicle prep, fire ext, plates, running boards, GeoTab extension, back up alarm trailer plug
- V42- Trailer lights In-op round fuse
- V26- for the trailer lights blown, replaced the fuse
- 273JH5- Installed a vice on truck
- New vehicle set up, 273JHC, Running boards, License plate, back up alarm, stickers, fire ext., first aid kits, insurance card
- V46- flat tire repair, installed new back up camera
- V45- replaced front tires
- V32- service
- V30- TPMS light on, replaced L/R sensor
- V30- Pre-Smog inspection

**Mower and tractor services and repairs:**

- E043- Straighteners triple link alarm
- Toro mower trailer, no running light
- Repaired (2) grounds
- E091- new equipment prep

**Additional tasks performed:**

- Shop maint
- Parts ordering/ inventory
- Weekly reports
- Monthly reports
- Pick up mower from repair shop Livermore saw and mower
- Road call 238D85- Keys locked in vehicle
- Road call RLCC 238czg- Dead battery

Respectfully submitted,



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