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## City of San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission Agenda

San Ramon City Hall  
Council Chamber  
7000 Bollinger Canyon Road

June 10, 2026  
5:30 PM  
Special Meeting

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### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Announcements

3.1. Changes and Additions to the Agenda

3.2. Special Announcements

3.3. Temporary Employee of the Month for May 2026

*Introduction by Jessica Reaber, Recreation Supervisor*

### 4. Public Comment

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Commission.

- Items that are **not** on the agenda and are within the Parks and Community Services Commission's jurisdiction.

## 5. Commission Business

### 5.1. Minutes of the Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting - May 13, 2026

Recommendation: Accept Minutes

### 5.2. Installation of a Lighted Scoreboard at Athan Downs

Recommendation: Consider approving the addition of a battery-operated lighted scoreboard at Athan Downs Park Field 3, funded by Bollinger Canyon Little League.

*Staff Report by Keith Haase, Program Manager*

### 5.3. Parks and Community Services Commissioner Feedback on the 2026 Art & Wind Festival

Recommendation: Provide feedback

*Staff Report by Brad Morris, Division Manager*

## 6. Director's Report

### 6.1. Monthly Activity Report - May 2026

## 7. Commissioner Reports and Announcements

## 8. Adjournment

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- d. Respect all people that are present or watching.

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**Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report  
Item No. 3.3.**

**Date: June 10, 2026**

**To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission**

**From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director  
Jessica Reaber, Recreation Supervisor**

**Subject: Temporary Employee of the Month for May 2026**

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**Executive Summary:**

The Parks and Community Services Department recognizes temporary employees monthly for their hard work and dedication to the community. Kaden Shah-Welch has been selected as the temporary employee of May 2026 in recognition of his excellent work in Historic Programs.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the San Ramon Parks Commission receive the Temporary Employee of the Month for May 2026.

**Background:**

The City of San Ramon Parks and Community Services Department is pleased to recognize Kaden Shah-Welch, Program Specialist, in the Historic Properties Division, as the Temporary Employee of the Month for May 2026. Kaden started working for the City of San Ramon in December of 2025. Since that time, he has jumped in to support Saturday Programs, Special Events, and Educational Tours.

He works hard to keep programs running smoothly through staffing transitions and shows eagerness to learn more about new opportunities. Kaden capably leads Transitional Kindergarten tours and Victorian Life Programs, while also providing vital support to the Farm Life Education Programs at Forest Home Farms. He creates a fun and friendly rapport with visitors, volunteers, and fellow staff members, while switching gears between program areas with agility and joy.

Most recently, Kaden brought the Educational Tour season to a successful close and helped host over 30 docents and volunteers for the Forest Home Farms annual appreciation event. His willingness to serve wherever needed makes him a valuable member of the Parks and Community Services Team.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**Alternative Option(s):**

No alternative options are presented, as this report is informational in nature.

**Next Steps:**

There are no next steps with this report.

**Attachment(s):**

None

**Minutes of the  
City of San Ramon  
Parks and Community Services Commission Regular Meeting  
May 13, 2026**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

Present:

Vice Chair Kyle Levy  
Commissioner Terry Koehne  
Commissioner Partha Mitra  
Commissioner Vasanth Shetty  
Commissioner Julia Oseland  
Commissioner Will Doerlich  
Student Commissioner Varsha Jonnalagadda

Absent:

Chair Steve Bried

Also in attendance: Parks and Community Services Director Henry Perezalonso, Division Manager Brad Morris, Program Managers Becky Adams and Keith Haase, Recreation Supervisors Kevin Boggs and Jessica Reaber, Recreation Coordinator Edwin Tse, and Administrative Coordinator Kathy Schiller.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Announcements**

3.1. Changes and Additions to the Agenda

3.2. Recognition of Student Commissioner

Vice Chair Levy presented a plaque to Student Commissioner Jonnalagadda in recognition of her commitment to Teen Council and the Parks & Community Services Commission.

3.3. Teen Council Recognition

Vice Chair Levy and Student Commissioner Jonnalagadda presented certificates to the Teen Council members in recognition of their contributions.

3.4. Temporary Employee of the Month for April 2026

Recreation Coordinator Edwin Tse introduced Imara Okere. Vice Chair Levy and Parks and Community Services Director Henry Perezalonso presented the award.

3.5. Special Announcements

Parks and Community Services Director Henry Perezalonso provided special announcements.

4. Public Comment

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- Items that are **not** on the agenda and are within the Parks and Community Services Commission’s jurisdiction.

5. Commission Business

5.1. Minutes of the Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting - April 8, 2026

Recommendation: Accept Minutes

Commissioner Doerlich's motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2026, meeting was seconded by Commissioner Koehne. The motion passed 5-0-1-1.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Passed [ 5-0-1-1 ]</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Commissioner Will Doerlich
<b>Second:</b>	Commissioner Terry Koehne
<b>Ayes:</b>	Kyle Levy, Will Doerlich, Terry Koehne, Julia Oseland, Vasanth Shetty

<b>Nays:</b>	None
<b>Abstentions:</b>	Partha Mitra
<b>Absences:</b>	Steve Bried

5.2. 2025-2026 Teen Council Annual Report

Recommendation: Receive the report, provide feedback, approve the Teen Council Annual Report for 2025/26, and forward it to the City Council for consideration.

Commissioner Doerlich's motion to approve the 2025/26 Teen Council Annual Report was seconded by Commissioner Shetty. The motion Passed 6-0-0-1.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Passed [ 6-0-0-1 ]</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Commissioner Will Doerlich
<b>Second:</b>	Commissioner Vasanth Shetty
<b>Ayes:</b>	Kyle Levy, Will Doerlich, Terry Koehne, Partha Mitra, Julia Oseland, Vasanth Shetty
<b>Nays:</b>	None
<b>Abstentions:</b>	None
<b>Absences:</b>	Steve Bried

5.3. San Ramon Trails Master Plan Update

Recommendation: Receive and approve the San Ramon Trails Master Plan and recommend it be forwarded to the City Council for final approval and adoption.

Program Manager Keith Haase provided the presentation.

Written public comment was received from Brian Swanson.

Commissioner Doerlich's motion to approve the Trails Master Plan as presented and to forward to City Council for review and approval was seconded by Commissioner Mitra. The motion Passed 6-0-0-1.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Passed [ 6-0-0-1 ]</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Commissioner Will Doerlich
<b>Second:</b>	Commissioner Partha Mitra
<b>Ayes:</b>	Kyle Levy, Will Doerlich, Terry Koehne, Partha Mitra, Julia Oseland, Vasanth Shetty
<b>Nays:</b>	None

<b>Abstentions:</b>	None
<b>Absences:</b>	Steve Bried

**6. Director's Report**

6.1. Monthly Activity Report - April 2026

Parks and Community Services Director Henry Perezalonso provided special announcements and presented the April Monthly Activity Report.

**7. Commissioner Reports and Announcements**

**8. Adjournment**

Vice Chair Levy adjourned the meeting at 8:33 PM.



**Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report  
Item No. 5.2.**

**Date: June 10, 2026**

**To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission**

**From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director  
Keith Haase, Program Manager**

**Subject: Installation of a Lighted Scoreboard at Athan Downs**

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**Executive Summary:**

Bollinger Canyon Little League (BCLL), an Athletic Facilities Co-Sponsored organization, has proposed a facility enhancement project to install a lighted scoreboard on baseball field 3 at Athan Downs Park. The proposed scoreboard is intended to enhance gameplay, improve the spectator experience, and support tournament operations. The proposed location in right field was selected to maximize visibility for spectators while minimizing impacts to field configurations, nearby residents, and existing irrigation infrastructure.

**Recommendation:**

The Parks & Community Services Commission's role is to consider approving the addition of a battery-operated lighted scoreboard at Athan Downs Park Field 3, funded by Bollinger Canyon Little League.

**Background:**

Athan Downs is a 20-acre Community Park located at Montevideo Drive and Davona Drive. The park is heavily utilized by both organized sports groups and the public throughout the year. Parkgoers enjoy pickup games, pitching and batting practice, dog walking, and general use of park amenities such as picnic areas, the basketball court, children's playground, tennis courts, and the sand volleyball court.

Bollinger Canyon Little League, an Athletic Facilities Co-Sponsored organization in good standing with the City of San Ramon, primarily utilizes Baseball Fields 1, 3, and 4 at Athan Downs Park from March through July, with Field 2 also used through June for practices and games. Three of the four baseball fields used by the league currently feature temporary home run fences that are installed and maintained by BCLL. During the late summer and fall months, the fields are also utilized for soccer programming and tournament play.

Given the park's high level of organized use by BCLL, the league has proposed an athletic

facility enhancement consisting of the purchase, installation, and ongoing maintenance of a lighted scoreboard on baseball field 3, at an estimated cost of approximately \$15,000. Similar amenities currently exist at other City athletic facilities, including Central Park, Rancho San Ramon Community Park, Sunrise Ridge Park, Memorial Park, San Ramon Olympic Pool, and Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center. Notably, the scoreboards at Memorial Park, Central Park 2, San Ramon Olympic Pool, and Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center were also installed through the efforts of Co-Sponsored organizations.

The proposed Athan Downs scoreboard location was a collaboration among BCLL Board Members, Parks and Community Services staff, and Public Services staff. Staff recommends installing the scoreboard in the right field of Field 3, as the location will not disrupt current or future field configurations or interfere with the existing irrigation system. In addition, the placement minimizes visibility from nearby residences, as the bottom of the scoreboard will be positioned above the lower branches of the surrounding trees.

The proposed scoreboard will be a battery-operated unit, eliminating the need for new electrical infrastructure or trenching as part of the project. The scoreboard will be powered by rechargeable batteries, with all ongoing charging, operation, and maintenance responsibilities managed by BCLL. The unit will not include any audible or sound-producing components.

The proposed scoreboard will feature a navy-blue finish consistent with BCLL's organizational color scheme. Existing scoreboards at City athletic facilities currently vary in color, including both blue and black finishes. The scoreboard display will measure approximately 4 feet high by 8 feet wide and will be mounted on two steel support posts. The bottom of the scoreboard is proposed to be positioned approximately 10 feet above ground level, resulting in an overall structure height of approximately 14 feet. The scoreboard will be operated wirelessly from the scorekeeper booth, minimizing the amount of infrastructure required and reducing potential disturbance to the park during installation.

To further enhance the installation, BCLL is also proposing a secondary panel mounted above the scoreboard display. The panel would read "Athan Downs" on the first line and "Home of the Bollinger Canyon Little League" on the second line. According to BCLL, the panel is intended to recognize Athan Downs Park and honor Byron Athan, for whom the park is named. BCLL has also indicated that the panel reflects the organization's intent not to pursue commercial sponsorship signage or advertising on the scoreboard. The addition of the secondary panel would increase the overall dimensions of the scoreboard structure to approximately 5 feet high by 8 feet wide.

The useful life of the scoreboard is expected to be approximately ten years, at which time BCLL would either replace the scoreboard or restore the area to pre-project conditions. Routine maintenance is expected to include replacing rechargeable batteries and light bulbs and, if needed, installing a vinyl film or UV coating to address sun exposure.

The addition of a scoreboard is expected to enhance the overall experience for both players and spectators while supporting Bollinger Canyon Little League’s ability to host larger tournaments that may attract teams from outside the community, thereby increasing the use of City amenities and supporting local businesses. In addition, BCLL has expressed a willingness to make the scoreboard available to other sports organizations, further expanding the benefit to the broader athletic community.

On May 27, 2026, the city mailed notices to residents within 300 feet of the proposed scoreboard installation site at Athan Downs Park. The letter informed residents that the Parks Commission would consider the proposed scoreboard installation on June 10, 2026.

In December 2016, the Parks Commission approved a similar scoreboard installation at Memorial Park by Canyon Creek Little League. While this action established a general precedent, athletic facility enhancement proposals will continue to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and brought forward to the Parks Commission for consideration, as appropriate.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no direct fiscal impact to the City associated with this proposed athletic facility enhancement. BCLL has committed to funding the full cost of the scoreboard, including purchase, installation, and ongoing maintenance, estimated at \$15,000. City staff will develop an agreement with BCLL to coordinate appropriate placement and oversight of the installation.

**Alternative Option(s):**

An alternative option would be for the Parks Commission to provide feedback on the proposed scoreboard specifications and/or the location prior to approval. This option allows the Commission to either approve the proposal as presented with revisions or request that revisions be presented before final approval is granted.

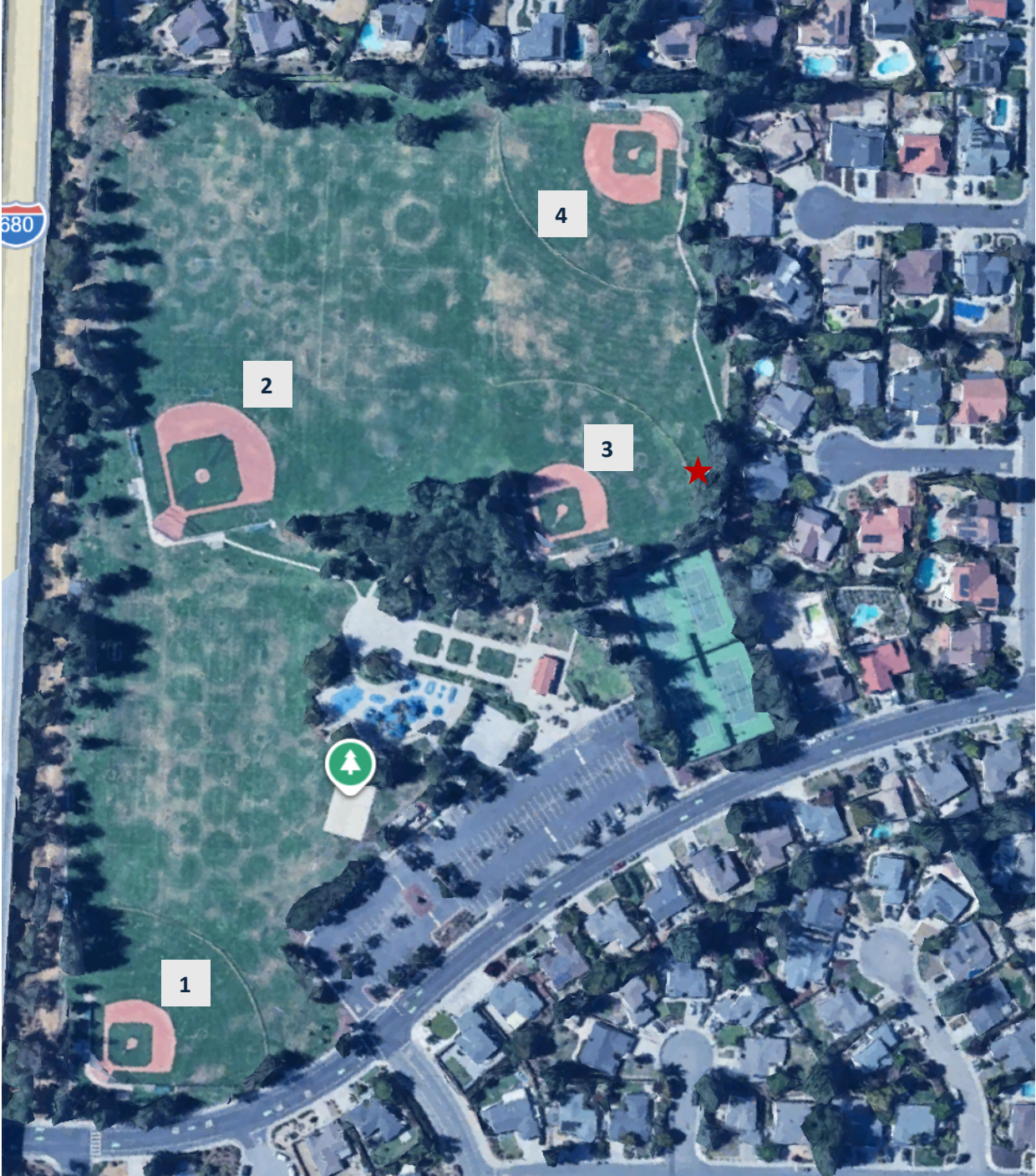
**Next Steps:**

Parks and Community Services and Public Services staff will collaborate with BCLL to develop a formal agreement outlining the responsibilities for the purchase, installation, maintenance, and use of the scoreboard at Athan Downs. The agreement will include provisions requiring removal of the scoreboard, at BCLL’s expense, in the event of non-compliance with City requirements.

**Attachment(s):**

- A. Athan Downs Park with Proposed Location of Scoreboard
- B. Athan Downs Field 3 with Scoreboard Rendering
- C. Manufacturer Rendering of Proposed Scoreboard
- D. Existing Scoreboards at San Ramon Parks/Facilities

Athan Downs Park with Proposed Location of Scoreboard



Athan Downs Field 3 with Proposed Location of Scoreboard



Athan Downs Field 3 with Scoreboard Rendering



\*The image shown is an AI-generated conceptual rendering provided for illustrative purposes only.

Scoreboard Rendering with Existing Park Trees



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**Manufacturer Rendering of Proposed Scoreboard**

Image below is a manufacturer rendering and illustrates the proposed navy blue color.

Scoreboard's dimensions 4' x 8'.

Scoreboard's dimensions with additional panel 5' x 8'.



# ATTACHMENT D

## Existing Scoreboards at San Ramon Parks/Facilities



Rancho San Ramon Park



Sunrise Ridge Park



Central Park



Memorial Park



San Ramon Olympic Pool



Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center



## **Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report Item No. 5.3.**

**Date:** June 10, 2026

**To:** San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission

**From:** Henry Perezalonso, Department Director  
Bradley Morris, Division Manager

**Subject:** Parks and Community Services Commissioner Feedback on the 2026 Art & Wind Festival

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### **Executive Summary:**

Feedback is requested from the Parks and Community Services Commission regarding the Art & Wind Festival in two areas: (1) the Commissioner's experience as event attendees, and (2) their experience managing and representing the City at the City information table. Feedback collected will be incorporated into the broader post-event evaluation process to support planning and improvements for future festivals.

### **Recommendation:**

Provide feedback regarding the Art & Wind Festival from both attendee experience and the Commission's experience staffing and managing the City table.

### **Background:**

The Art & Wind Festival is one of the City's signature community events that bring residents and visitors together through arts, entertainment, recreation, and community engagement. Following the conclusion of each festival, staff conduct an internal evaluation process to identify successes, opportunities, and considerations for future planning efforts.

As part of this process, feedback from the Commission is being requested, given their unique perspective as both festival participants and through direct engagement with attendees at the City table. Staff is specifically seeking input on opportunities for operational efficiencies and small but meaningful improvements that could enhance the overall festival experience and support the continued success of future events.

Commission input will be compiled alongside feedback collected from staff and other stakeholders to help inform future event planning and operational improvements.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**Alternative Option(s):**

No alternative options are presented, as this item is informational in nature and intended to gather feedback.

**Next Steps:**

Feedback received from the Commission will be incorporated into the overall post-event assessment and used to help inform future event planning and operational improvements.

**Attachment(s):**

None



# ACTIVITY REPORT

May 2026



City of San Ramon  
Parks & Community Services

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# PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



## San Ramon Art & Wind Festival 2026

The San Ramon Art & Wind Festival blew into Central Park last month, bringing approximately 50,000 attendees for a weekend of art, kites, food, music, and fun. The two-day event featured over 160 fine arts and crafts vendors, three stages for unique entertainment, and three “Kids Zone” areas spanning the length of the park. A popular kite-making workshop provided 5,000 kite kits, which inspired participants to fly their creations in the city’s famous breeze. Other highlights included a Coast Guard helicopter landing, professional and choreographed kite flying, human-powered rockets, and dueling kites.

Discover San Ramon returned as the festival’s title sponsor and also provided a VIP seating area for the inaugural beer garden. Overall, the event featured 26 non-profit food and beverage vendors, 22 Business Sponsors, 6 activity vendors, and 30 “Information Alley” vendors.



# PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



## Miss Christie's & Miss Heather's Spring Dance Recitals

Miss Christie and Miss Heather each hosted their annual spring dance recitals for participants ages 4–16 at Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center. This year marked Miss Christie's 34th spring recital with the City, reflecting her longstanding dedication to the community and the many generations of children who have enjoyed learning and dancing in her classes. Her enthusiasm and energy continue to make her a beloved instructor among participants and families alike.

Miss Heather, also a valued longtime City partner, presented a recital showcasing exceptional artistic merit and creativity. From the show's artwork to the vocal solos and dance performances, many elements were developed by the participants themselves under her guidance, highlighting their creativity and growth throughout the program.

## T.E.A.M. Theatre Mean Girls Production

Theater programming is making a strong comeback in San Ramon through the efforts of T.E.A.M. Theatre. At Dougherty Station Community Arts Center, director Salim Razawi has offered improv classes and produced ticketed improv performances at Front Row Theater. Most recently, T.E.A.M. Theatre completed a successful production of *Mean Girls: High School Edition*, featuring a cast of 23 local teens. Four of the six performances sold out, reflecting growing community interest and participation in youth theater opportunities.



# PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



## Youth and Adult Ceramics

Both Youth and Adult Ceramics classes at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center continue to see strong participation, with the kiln running steadily as projects progress from greenware to bisque to glazeware. Instructor Gina Gabrielle led two successful adult hand-building classes during her first session with the City. At the same time, staff facilitated the Clay and Play program with support from teen volunteers, helping younger participants complete fun and creative projects. In a recent class, participants explored Cubism by creating “Picasso Faces” using the slab-building technique.

Looking ahead, Steven Olson of Olson’s Clayworks will begin teaching Beginning Pottery classes, including wheel instruction, three evenings per week starting at the end of June, as well as youth camp opportunities. The ceramics program continues to grow, with exciting opportunities ahead for the Dougherty Station Ceramics Studio.

## Recreation Swim Returns



Recreation Swim is back for the summer at the San Ramon Olympic Pool. Since opening in early May, the pool welcomed more than 700 swimmers and their families for a season of fun, activity, and connection. Over Memorial Day weekend, three days of Recreation Swim brought the community together to celebrate the start of summer and provided a refreshing way to cool off during the heat. Experiences like Recreation Swim highlight how Parks Make Life Better by creating opportunities for recreation, connection, and community enjoyment.

# PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



## Lunch Bunch Trips

Seniors in San Ramon enjoyed two lunch bunch trips in May. The first adventure took a full van of participants to Carmel-by-the-Sea to enjoy the beach, shopping, and delicious eats in the village. Later in the month, the group visited the SF Botanical Gardens for peak spring flower viewing, with lunch upstairs at the Beach Chalet. Trips coming soon include a wildlife boat tour in Elkhorn Slough, and lunch at Mustards Grill with a stop at the famed Bouchon Bakery.

Over the summer, Lunch Bunch trips will pause while staff evaluate the most effective and sustainable transportation options for the future. As Senior Express vans reach the end of their service life, maintenance, trip, and driver service costs continue to rise. Staff are exploring partnership opportunities with the County and local organizations to expand transportation and recreation services for seniors, creating more reliable, flexible, and cost-effective options that better meet the evolving needs of the community while enhancing access to programs, outings, and social opportunities for older adults.

# PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



## Tennis Tournament

For the second time this spring, Parks & Community Services partnered with Bonasera Tennis to host a youth recreational tennis tournament at California High School tennis courts. Players ages 7-18 competed across three skill levels: orange ball, green dot, and yellow ball divisions. All 83 participants were guaranteed a minimum of three matches, providing valuable court time for every player.

The top performers from each flight advanced to the next stage of competition, creating an exciting and rewarding tournament experience. This “fun-petitive” tournament continues to be a valuable addition to the community, providing local tennis players with an affordable competition opportunity close to home. The City of San Ramon will continue to build on the past two successful recreational tournaments with additional tournaments in July and October.



# FOSTER HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



## Spring Nature Story Time

Each Friday in May, young children and their caregivers explored different corners of Forest Home Farms and participated in Nature Story Time in a variety of beautiful outdoor settings throughout the park. Participants explored the farm and its natural wonders through stories, crafts, sensory activities, and songs emphasizing weekly themes. They tasted freshly picked oranges, crafted bouquets before Mother's Day, searched for squirrels in Oak trees, visited butterflies fluttering around the Buckeyes, and looked for ladybugs among the roses.



## Student Volunteers at Crow Canyon Gardens

This spring, Crow Canyon Gardens welcomed students from Averroes High School for a month-long volunteer program. The students came two days per week to assist with mulching, weeding, and other garden maintenance while learning about organic gardening and City programs. Through this program, staff offered in-depth, hands-on training, tackling projects beyond what single-day volunteer opportunities can provide. Commenting on their teen's new skills, one of the parents said, "Now my son can help me in the backyard with weeding and pruning."

# FOSTER HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



## Preschool Graduation

All great things must come to an end! Eight Little Sprouts Preschool students graduated in mid-May at the San Ramon Community Center. More than 30 parents and family members came to support their “Little Sprout” as they walked across the stage to receive their certificate of completion. One parent commented, “All three of my kids have gone through the Little Sprouts program. My kids still talk about their experience at Little Sprouts.” The highlight of the ceremony was each child telling the audience what they wanted to be when they grew up. Answers ranged from firefighters and police officers to a teacher like Ms. Michelle and Ms. Lalli. The room filled with smiles, laughter, and even a few tears, followed by a small reception on the Terrace Patio. The Little Sprouts 2026-2027 school year will begin on August 24.

## Forest Home Farms Field Trips



The Education Program at Forest Home Farms wrapped up for the spring season. Between the third-grade Farm Life tours, second-grade Victorian Life tours, and Transitional Kindergarten tours, the farm hosted over 2,500 students from 120 classes, predominantly from SRVUSD, but also schools from Dublin, Castro Valley, and San Francisco. These well-loved field trips are known in the Bay Area and are part of what makes Forest Home Farms so special.

# FOSTER HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



## Aquatics Senior Staff Training for Summer Operations

In preparation for the busy season ahead, 30 Senior Aquatics Staff completed the first weekend of pre-summer training at San Ramon Olympic Pool. These experienced staff members, each with several hundred hours of aquatics experience, participated in advanced training focused on leadership development, risk management, team communication, and emergency response readiness. The program helps foster personal and professional growth by providing opportunities to build leadership skills, confidence, and real-world experience in a team environment.

## Gathering Spaces at Alcosta Senior and Community Center



May provided several gathering spaces for seniors to get together and socialize in different settings. The Stroke Support Group provided a space to share the challenges of life after a stroke, as well as break-out groups for family members and caregivers who provide constant support. Local author Daniel Marin presented his book, *10 Strategies to Live an Effective Life*, to a dozen seniors interested in living life in a better way. The Page Turners met to discuss the book of the month, *Who is Government? The Untold Story of Public Service*, followed by a lively discussion. The senior-based book discussion group has approximately 25-30 participants who gather each month.

# PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLNESS



## Spring 2026 Adult Softball League

What an incredible Spring Adult Softball League season! After nine weeks of competition, teamwork, and unforgettable moments, our championship teams finished strong and earned their place at the top. Adult recreational softball continues to play an important role in bringing the community together through friendship, sportsmanship, and healthy competition while creating lasting memories both on and off the field. Congratulations to the following championship teams: Monday Men's D2 Champs "Control Issues," Monday Men's D3 Champs "The Unwanted," Thursday Men's D3 Champs "AMF," and Wednesday Co-ed D3 Champs "Benchwarmers."

# INCREASE CULTURAL UNITY



## Lady K & The Kings of Swing

Lady K & The Kings of Swing performed to an audience of 56 community members for a May matinee at the Front Row Theater. They played jazz and popular favorites in the third and final performance of their series.

# INCREASE CULTURAL UNITY

## San Ramon Symphonic Band

The San Ramon Symphonic Band performed to an audience of 146 community members at Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center. Nearly 50 local musicians performed a series of masterpieces to the theme of *The Soundtrack of America*. This marked the final performance of the spring season, and the Symphonic Band will resume in August.

## Tri-Valley Artist Studio Tour



Dougherty Station Community Arts Center hosted a stop for the 5th Annual Tri-Valley Artist Studio Tour (TVAST). Sponsored by the non-profit Alliance for Visual Arts (AVA), this region-wide, self-guided event transforms the Tri-Valley into a massive open-air art gallery. The tour spanned 30 venues across Pleasanton, Livermore, Dublin, San Ramon, and Danville, connecting the public with over 80 local artists. The Arts Center hosted 10 local artists who showcased their work and offered our community the opportunity to interact with them, view live technical demonstrations, and purchase original work.

## May Galleries & Events

### Gallery at Alcosta Senior and Community Center

Anna Blazhiyevska

### Lindsay Dirkx Brown Gallery

Jeffrey Brewer

Artist Reception: May 25

### Gallery at City Hall

Nataliya Soboleva

Artist Reception: May 15

### Dougherty Station Community Arts Center Gallery

Locals Only!

Artist Reception: May 8

### San Ramon Library Gallery

Chiachen Wang

# FACILITATE COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING



## May at Café Costa

On average, 34 seniors attended lunch at Café Costa each day in May. The Happy Group Singers treated seniors to a musical show one afternoon, singing a variety of tunes and encouraging audience participation with sing-along songs. The group meets regularly at the center to practice singing together and puts on quarterly shows for the lunchtime attendees. On May 20, Café Costa celebrated the monthly birthday participants with festive cake and birthday goody bags from two Senior Outreach Sponsors: Horizon Elder Law, and Angel's Heart.



# STRENGTHEN SAFETY AND SECURITY

## Central Park Footbridge Repairs

Public Services staff replaced the wood decking on the footbridge connecting Central Park to the Iron Horse Trail. The crew completely removed the decking on the south bridge and replaced it with new 3/4-inch plywood. To ensure long-term durability and public safety, staff painted both sides of the wood and applied multiple textured coats of anti-slip patio paint to the walking surface to help reduce slip-and-fall hazards.



## 5th Annual Spring Recycles Day and Compost Giveaway Event

The City of San Ramon successfully hosted its 5th Annual Spring Recycles Day and Compost Giveaway at the Alcosta Senior and Community Center. Nearly 500 residents participated in the event, with staff distributing over 389 bags of compost. Public Services, Parks & Community Services, and Alameda County Industries collaborated to coordinate and facilitate participation for San Ramon residents.

The event provided residents with an opportunity to safely and responsibly dispose of a variety of materials, including confidential documents for secure shredding, unwanted clothing and textiles for recycling, and scrap metal items. In addition, staff distributed free compost to residents, which was met with great enthusiasm and encouraged environmentally friendly gardening and landscaping practices. The strong attendance and positive community participation demonstrated the value of offering convenient recycling options and highlighted the community's continued commitment to sustainability and waste reduction.

# STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY IMAGE AND SENSE OF PLACE



## San Ramon Memorial Day Program

The City of San Ramon's Memorial Day Program at Memorial Park brought the community together to remember of the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. The program opened with patriotic music from Olympia Fields Brass, followed by the Presentation of Colors by the San Ramon Police Department Honor Guard and a performance of the National Anthem by vocalist Sae Ghatee.

Director Perezalonso emceed the event, and Mayor Armstrong provided a formal welcome. Remarks from Debbie Carbone of Blue Star Moms Chapter 101, Alan Kalin of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 75, and Alan Scharlach of American Legion Post 246 highlighted the importance of remembering those who served.

The ceremony also included a Veteran's Recognition and Presentation of Challenge Coins by the San Ramon City Council and a poetry reading by Poet Laureate Emerita Jenyth Jo Gearhart-Utchen. The event concluded with community members placing commemorative flags in the Field of Flags, assisted by Girl Scouts of San Ramon Troop 31636. Approximately 100 community members attended the one-hour program.



# STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY IMAGE AND SENSE OF PLACE

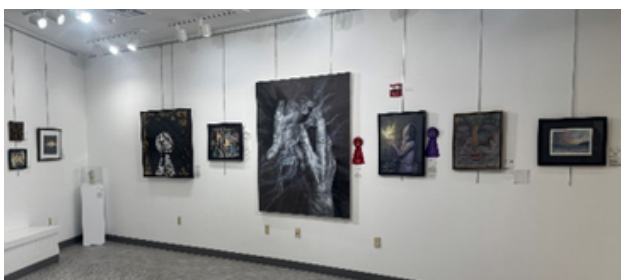


## Locals Only! Exhibition

The Locals Only! program in San Ramon is a highly anticipated annual initiative presented by Parks & Community Services to celebrate community creativity and artistic expression. The exhibition features original artwork created exclusively by San Ramon residents, ranging in age from kindergarten students to seniors.

This year's exhibition invited artists to explore the concept of light, both as a physical phenomenon and as a symbol of clarity, transformation, and revelation. Submitted works examined how light defines space, reveals truth, and inspires insight through a variety of interpretations, including natural light, artificial illumination, and metaphorical brilliance. The result was a diverse and innovative collection of artwork reflecting the local community's creativity.

This year's Best in Show award was presented to Bob Pearson. Notably, Bob's first-ever entry into an art exhibition was the inaugural Locals Only! show in 2024. Since participating in the program, he has gone on to submit work to larger regional exhibitions and credits the program with giving him the confidence to share his work more broadly. Staff are encouraged to see increasing numbers of Locals Only! participants exhibiting their artwork in surrounding regional shows, demonstrating the program's growing impact on the local arts community.



# STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY IMAGE AND SENSE OF PLACE



## Forest Home Farms Volunteer Celebration

More than 30 volunteers gathered at Amador Rancho Community Center to celebrate the success of another wonderful year of special events, group tours, and educational tours at Forest Home Farms. This annual celebration partners with the San Ramon Historic Foundation and offers a great time to share stories, read “thank you” letters from students, and look back at photos from the year-in-review. The amazing programs at Forest Home Farms Historic Park are made possible by the support of talented, dedicated volunteers and the San Ramon Historic Foundation.

## Facilities Rental for Dance Rehearsals and Recital

Facilities staff supported Siddhi Dance Academy’s Bharatanatyam dance recital at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center in the Ridgeview Room. Dancers entertained approximately 300 family members and friends across two successful performance timeframes. The recital went smoothly with minimal operational impacts and showcased a strong community arts partnership.

Beginning in April, the Facilities team coordinated with Siddhi Dance Academy to provide rehearsal space at both the San Ramon Community Center and Dougherty Station Community Arts Center after the group lost access to its previous studio. The group currently uses the dance studio space six days per week, totaling roughly 7 hours of permitted weekly use through June.

The partnership continues to positively support facility utilization, community arts opportunities, and departmental revenue goals while operating within existing staffed building hours and requiring minimal additional operational support.

# STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY IMAGE AND SENSE OF PLACE

## San Ramon Senior Center Foundation Derby Fashion Show & Tea

The San Ramon Senior Center Foundation hosted its annual Derby Fashion Show & Tea at the San Ramon Community Center, welcoming 161 guests. Attendees filled the Fountain Room for a fashion show featuring designs by J.Jill, light refreshments, a silent auction, door prizes, and a best hat contest.



# SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



## 3rd Thursday Arts & Eats at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center

The inaugural 3rd Thursday Arts & Eats event was a success, bringing together local artists, food vendors, community partners, and residents in a vibrant and energetic atmosphere. The event featured seven art vendors, eight food trucks, a beer vendor, live entertainment by the cast of *Mean Girls: High School Edition* from the Front Row Theater production, interactive arts activities, and community partner booths. Attendance remained steady throughout the evening.

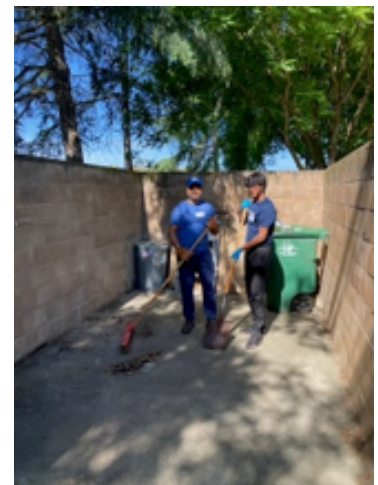
The event successfully activated the Dougherty Station Community Arts Center campus and demonstrated potential to become a regular community event. Planning is underway for the next installment on June 18, with the aim of expanding participation and doubling the number of art vendors as awareness and momentum continue to build.

# PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER



## Parks Make Life Better at Souyen Park

The City of San Ramon hosted another successful Parks Make Life Better volunteer event at Souyen Park. A dedicated team of 35 volunteers contributed their time and effort to improve the park's appearance and usability. Volunteers painted 500 linear feet of metal split-rail fencing using 10 gallons of paint, groomed the bocce courts, spread 5 yards of mulch in the shrub beds, and performed general cleanup throughout the park.



# PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER



## CPRS District 3 Summer Leader Institute

California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) District 3 hosted the annual Summer Leader Institute at San Ramon Community Center. The Summer Leader Institute is a conference for Recreation Leaders, mostly part-time summer camp staff, to train them for the upcoming summer. 180 participants attended from over 20 Cities in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties. The institute featured 16 breakout sessions, a keynote speaker, and several networking opportunities to keep Recreation Leaders connected throughout the upcoming summer. The day was full of smiles, camp songs, competitive camp games, laughter, the smell of pizza and treats, and so much more!





# UPCOMING EVENTS

June 8	Summer Camps Begin at Camp Central and Beyond
June 8	Recreation Swim at San Ramon Olympic Pool & Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center
June 8 & 11	Whose Live Anyway? at Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center
June 10	Bruce Hornsby & The Noisemakers at Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center
June 11	Senior Summer BBQ at Alcosta Senior and Community Center
June 13	Flag Day at Forest Home Farms
June 17	Ice Cream Social at Alcosta Senior and Community Center
June 18	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday Arts & Eats at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center
June 20	Sun Prints at Forest Home Farms
June 27	Corn Art at Forest Home Farms
July 4	Independence Day Celebration & Concert with The Cheeseballs at Central Park
July 12	Summer Concert Series: Pride & Joy at Central Park
July 16	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday Arts & Eats at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center
July 19	Summer Concert Series: Pop Rocks at Central Park

# DEPARTMENT MISSION



- Provide Recreational Experiences
- Foster Human Development
- Promote Health and Wellness
- Increase Cultural Unity
- Facilitate Community Problem Solving
- Strengthen Safety and Security
- Strengthen Community Image and Sense of Place
- Support Economic Development

## These items reflect how Parks Make Life Better!

Parks and Recreation make lives and communities better now and in the future by providing access to nature, outdoor space to play and exercise, free-time fun in positive spaces, and socializing and learning in a gathering place.

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