

# STAR



City of Brisbane Monthly Newsletter  
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## **NEW** **POLLING PLACE**

### **Brisbane City Hall**

Community  
Meeting Room

50 Park Place  
Brisbane, CA 94005



## **June 7, 2016 Primary and November 8, 2016 General Presidential Elections**

To better serve our disabled and senior voters, the Polling Place for the Primary and General Presidential Elections this year has been moved from the Brisbane Community Center to the nearby fully ADA-compliant Brisbane City Hall.

Should you have any questions, please contact the San Mateo County Registration & Elections Division at **650.312.5293**, or email [myue@smcare.org](mailto:myue@smcare.org)

## **June Highlights**

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## **Don't forget!**

**Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm**

Parkside Plan Study Session with  
the Council.

Share Your Feedback!

Stay connected with the City online!



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(City General)

## **You're Invited!**

**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

New Brisbane Skatepark  
Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

# Parkside Plan Update

## Draft Concept Alternatives to be Presented 6/2!

Since the February 1<sup>st</sup> workshop, Parkside Plan consultants MIG have been hard at work incorporating the Community's feedback received to date into draft plan concepts. MIG will present three draft plan concepts to the Council and Community for discussion at a study session at the June 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council meeting. Topics of discussion will include: the Community's land use preferences, economic feasibility, adjustments to intensity/density to achieve the Community vision's and meet Housing Element requirements, and potential reconfiguration ideas for the existing Brisbane Village Shopping Center to be incorporated into the draft plan. This is a critical time for public involvement, so please plan on attending the study session to share your feedback with MIG and the City Council, as well as hear the perspectives of your



fellow Community members.

MIG will use the feedback from the June 2<sup>nd</sup> study session to develop a draft preferred plan, which will in turn be incorporated into the draft Precise Plan and subject to further review by the public at Planning Commission and City Council public hearings in the Fall.

Looking for project updates and upcoming events for the Parkside Plan? Check out the project webpage at [www.brisbaneca.org/parkside-brisbane-village-precise-plan-about](http://www.brisbaneca.org/parkside-brisbane-village-precise-plan-about). The Planning Department welcomes any and all comments on the Parkside Plan process! Please send your comments to [planning@ci.brisbane.ca.us](mailto:planning@ci.brisbane.ca.us) or mail them to the Planning Department at City Hall (50 Park Place, Brisbane).

## Bike to Work Day 2016 Recap

### Another Cycling Success!

Brisbane was teeming with cyclists the morning of Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bike to Work Day (BTWD). We had 1,106 cyclists pass through the Lagoon & Tunnel Energizer Station and 320 passed through the Bayshore & Old County Energizer Station. The Lagoon & Tunnel station was the second-most visited location on the Peninsula and the Bayshore & Old County station saw a 216% increase in cyclists from last year! Special thanks to the wonderful volunteers who helped staff the Energizer Stations and handed out refreshments and BTWD swag. They are: Mike Abney, Michael Barnes, Karen Cunningham, Nancy Lacsamana, Susan Maynard, Dee Sano, and Tom Williams. And thank you to Dan Ryan for capturing wonderful pictures of the event, which can be publicly viewed on the Brisbane Parks and Recreation Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/brisbanerec](http://www.facebook.com/brisbanerec).



## Peninsula SunShares Launching Late July

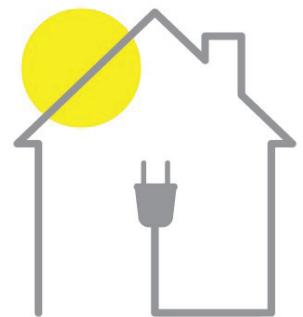
### Install Residential Solar at a Discount!

At the April 21<sup>st</sup> City Council meeting, the Council approved the Letter of Commitment to once again participate in the Peninsula SunShares program, where, in its inaugural year last year, 11 Brisbane homeowners signed contracts to install solar on their rooftops (and achieving 975 kW in total installed capacity)!

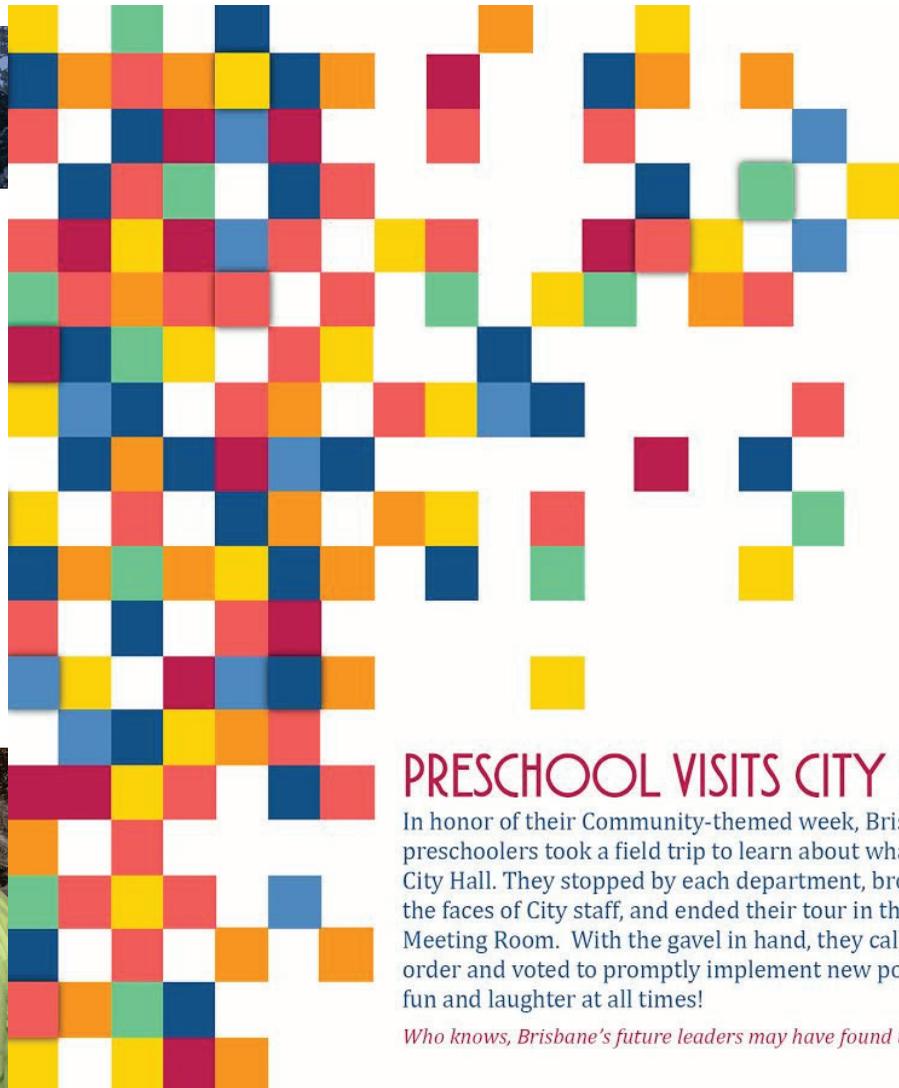
In residential bulk solar purchase programs, a vendor (or vendors), selected through a Request for Proposals process, offer(s) pricing at a bulk rate to individual homeowners for solar installation on their residences. Therefore, the Peninsula SunShares program will allow local residents to pool their purchasing power and receive bulk discounts for installing solar.

New to the SunShares program this year will be a discount Electric Vehicle (EV) program as well as information about new renewable energy options available to renters.

Look for more education and outreach about Peninsula SunShares in August, September and October. The program will conclude in late fall. Stay tuned for more updates!



## Peninsula SunShares



## PRESCHOOL VISITS CITY HALL!

In honor of their Community-themed week, Brisbane preschoolers took a field trip to learn about what happens at City Hall. They stopped by each department, brought smiles to the faces of City staff, and ended their tour in the Community Meeting Room. With the gavel in hand, they called meetings to order and voted to promptly implement new policies enforcing fun and laughter at all times!

*Who knows, Brisbane's future leaders may have found their calling!*



## 2016 CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Friday nights from 6:00-8:30pm  
@ Brisbane Community Park

JULY 8 NATIVE ELEMENTS (Reggae)

JULY 15 BUSTA GROOVE (70's, 80's, 90's Pop)

JULY 22 THE REFUGEES (Tom Petty Cover)

JULY 29 POP FICTION (Party Music)

AUG 5 SOUL SOCIETY (Dance Band)

AUG 12 ANDRE THIERRY (Zydeco)

AUG 19 REBEL YELL (80's Hits)

THIS SUMMERTIME TRADITION IS ONLY MADE POSSIBLE DUE TO THE GENEROUS TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS FROM BRISBANE BUSINESSES AND FAMILIES. WE WISH TO THANK ALL OF OUR SPONSORS FROM LAST YEAR AND LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN 2016. SPONSORSHIPS BEGIN AS LOW AS \$100, SO IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR FOR THE 2016 CONCERT SERIES, PLEASE CONTACT STEVE BEATY AT 415-508-2144 OR SBEATY@CI.BRISBANE.CA.US.

## 75<sup>th</sup> Annual MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

at  
**GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL CEMETERY**

1300 Sneath Lane (Veterans Way), San Bruno

*"Heroes Forever"*

Join us in honoring our fallen heroes on

**MONDAY, MAY 30<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m.**

*Band concert begins at 10:30 a.m.*

**Speakers:**

**Col. D. Peter Gleichenhaus, U.S. Army (retired)**

**Cpl. Gennaro Ruocco, San Bruno Police Dept.  
& Cdr., U.S. Coast Guard Reserve**

**Also:**

**San Andreas Brass Band ★ Vocalists ★ Gold Star wreath  
presentation ★ San Bruno Police Dept. Honor Guard ★  
31<sup>st</sup> Regiment, U.S. Volunteers rifle salute**

**Presented by the Avenue of Flags Committee**

A luncheon, sponsored by the Avenue of Flags Committee, will follow the program at the American Legion Hall, 757 San Mateo Avenue, San Bruno. (\$8 for ages 12 and up, \$4 for ages 5 to 11, free for ages under 5). Proceeds will be used by the Avenue of Flags Committee for future ceremonies and events. Please RSVP to Carolyn Livengood, 650-355-5533.

This article contains graphic descriptions and may not be appropriate for all readers.

# A Closer Look at a Soldier's WWII Experience

Initial Landing 24th Division | Leyte, Philippine Islands, Oct. 20th, 1944

Last November, we had a special Veterans' Day event take place at City Hall where we had a flag-raising ceremony in honor of all those who served and are serving our country in the armed forces. Two Brisbane World War II Veterans were in attendance at that event: Roy Peters and Charles E. (Chuck) Blunt. Mr. Peters passed on this past April, having lived to age 99 and was a 40 yr. resident of Brisbane. Chuck still resides in Brisbane with his wife of 61 years, Helen. Chuck's war decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart (with an oak leaf cluster for being wounded a second time), the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the American Theater Ribbon with three bronze stars, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, and last but not least, the Good Conduct Medal Ribbon. The following is Chuck's account of one of his missions during WWII.

mess kits so we used our helmets for a mess kit. The chow was in layers but it tasted good.

After a few hours on shore we embarked back aboard the troop ship and joined the rest of the convoy heading for Leyte in the Philippines. While underway we listened to Tokyo Rose on the radio and she said she knew that the 24th Division was on the way and that they would be waiting for us. She called us the 20,000 Devils from Hell. We finally arrived at our destination, the island of Leyte in the Philippines, where all kinds of troop ships were. Not very long after that we were told to get ready to board the landing craft on the side of the troop ship.

There was a deathly silence amongst the troops as we started to disembark, climbing down the rope nets draped over the side of the ship into the landing craft. I don't remember how it started but someone started to sing the Aussie song "I Got Sixpence." It did relieve the tension and the mood changed. My name is Charles E. (Chuck) Blunt and I was Assistant Squad Leader of the 1st Squad 1st Platoon C Co. 19th Infantry Regiment 24th Division. S/Sgt. Gladys was my Squad Leader. Sgt. Don Irwin, my best buddy, was Assistant Squad Leader of the 2nd Squad. T/Sgt. Osborn was our Platoon Sgt. and was in our landing craft along with our Company Commander Capt. Joseph C. McNeely and his runner were in the stern of the landing craft right behind me and Sgt. Irwin. We proceeded to rendezvous with the other landing craft, then we were on the way to hit the beach in front of a town called Palo, Leyte. There were two squads in the landing craft side by side, and we were told to keep our heads down until the landing craft hit the beach to unload us.



Chuck showing friend Roy Peters his WWII decorations at last November's Veterans' Day Event at City Hall.

I recall after the Hollandia Operation in New Guinea, the 19th Infantry Regiment 24th Division was in camp waiting for the next operation. All of a sudden, we started to get fresh meat, fresh eggs, and all the good stuff that we normally did not; we knew we would be moving out soon. The time arrived and they loaded us up on trucks and transported us to our troop ship and we sailed for the Philippine Islands. We stopped at the Admiralty Islands to rendezvous with other troop ships that were headed for the same destination. I remember we went ashore to get some fresh chow, but we did not have

All of a sudden there was a tremendous explosion at the front of the landing craft. I looked up and saw that the ramp was shattered very badly and I could hear a lot of screaming and moaning. A Japanese artillery shell had hit the landing craft at the front and had shattered the ramp, which reacted like a bomb and sprayed shrapnel all over the two squads. There was blood all over. S/Sgt. Gladys had his arm blown off and T/Sgt. Osborn also lost one arm. The shrapnel killed Capt. McNeely and his runner lost an eye. I glanced over where my buddy Sgt. Don Irwin was and I noticed that he was bleeding very badly around the face, evidently he had raised his head just prior to the explosion



Sgt. Chuck Blunt pictured with Sgt. Jugawieski and Sgt. Don Irwin, Goodenough Island, south of New Guinea, Feb. 1944

and a piece of shrapnel had hit him in the face. I discovered later after the war that it had blinded him (I went to see him after the War in the hospital in Menlo Park, CA). The ramp had dropped down into the water and the water was mixing with the blood and it looked like red wine. We were getting as close to the beach as we could with the ramp in that condition; we finally came to a stop as the ramp hit the bottom.

The ramp was so mangled that the landing craft could not move onto the beach normally. We had moved onto the beach as close as we could. I moved to the front of the landing craft to take over the squad. The ramp was hanging down and we could not use it to walk off onto the beach, it was about 6 or 7 ft. deep. I jumped off into the water holding my breath the whole time. I touched the bottom and pushed forward and came to the surface and took a deep breath of air. I did this again and then I was on the beach with my head above water. I motioned for the rest of the squad to do the same. When they were all off the landing craft I assembled what was left of the squad - 7 or 8 I recall.

We proceeded to move forward up the beach towards some cover; people were getting hit all over the place and there was machine gun fire and rifle fire constantly. We moved inland about 30 or 40 yds. and came upon a tank trap filled with water and there were pill boxes on the other side putting out machine gun fire as we slipped into the tank trap in water

above our waist. The machine gun fire had us pinned down. We stayed in that tank trap in that water for several hours, until they finally knocked them out so we could proceed on our mission, which was Hill 522 behind the town of Palo, Leyte. We arrived at the base of Hill 522 and proceeded to ascend the hill; it was starting to get dark as we were climbing up the hill. In the meantime, the Japanese soldiers were on the other side at the top of the hill and had a trench running along just below the crest and were tossing grenades that were rolling down the hill and wounding some of the troops. It was almost dark and I could hear moans and groans. We were told to dig in for the night and we proceeded to do so.

The next morning we discovered we had been cut off by Japanese troops driving a wedge between Hill 522 and the beach. Also, we were running out of water, so we sent a squad down to the base of the hill to try and locate some. We found a pond of water that water buffalo had been sloshing around in and it was awfully muddy, but we filled up all the canteens with water; thank God for Halazone tablets that purify the water. The next day after a few encounters we secured Hill 522 and waited for our orders for our next mission.

Charles E. (Chuck) Blunt  
Squad Leader 1st Squad C Company  
19th Regiment 24th Infantry Division

# Annual Brisbane Vegetation Management Program



The Annual removal of waste materials and combustible vegetation “Vegetation Management” Program conducted by the fire department pursuant to the Brisbane Municipal Code 15.44.120 - Section 304.1.4 is in full swing. An inspection was made of all the properties in the City. If the appropriate measures were not completed by **May 23, 2016**, the city will proceed with mitigation to achieve the requirements of the Municipal Code. That means the City may have to contract to clean the property and you would be billed for the cost of this work plus an administrative fee of up to \$300.00. These charges would be added to your real estate tax bill if not paid. Please take a good look at your property and measure its compliance against the below standards:

- Cut and remove all dry grasses, weeds, dead vegetation, and other combustible materials at least 30 feet away from your home and structures.
- Homes and structures on slopes may require up to 100 feet of clearance.
- Ornamental vegetation should be kept clear of dead material.
- Cut and remove all dry grasses and weeds a minimum of 10 feet from both sides of all roadways, including

driveways and all access routes.

- Acreage: Up to one acre, shall have all dry grasses and weeds cut and removed. Parcels one to five acres require a 30 foot clearance around homes and structures, a 30 foot clearance along the perimeter property lines, and additional 30 foot cross breaks as needed to separate the remaining vegetation into sections no larger than five acres.
- Clear leaves, pine needles and debris from roof and gutters.
- Trim tree branches at least 10 feet from the outlet of a chimney.

**We appreciate your cooperation in keeping your property and neighborhood fire safe. Should you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Clyde Preston, Safety Inspector, Fire Prevention Services Bureau (650) 991-5741 as soon as possible.**

## June 2016 Library Calendar

### Special Events

#### **Saturday, June 4 at 2pm - Juggling Workshop with Doug Nolan**

Anyone can learn to juggle! Doug Nolan of Rock Steady Juggling will make it easy for even the youngest children to learn the basics by playing with scarves and bean bags. The truly daring can explore other tools of the juggler's trade. For children ages 5 and up, accompanied by their adults. Space is limited, and registration is required.

#### **Monday, June 6 at 3:30pm - Pollination and Bee Nests**

Students will identify the anatomical parts of a flower and learn the mechanisms of pollination and why it is important in nature. Students will build their own Bee Box to place in a yard or garden, providing a nesting habitat for native bees. Note: This program will take the place of our regular After School Craft program.

#### **Wednesday, June 8 at 10:30am - Push, Pull, Crash!**

Balls, marbles and cars... oh my! In Push, Pull, Crash!, young scientists experiment with push and pull of different magnitudes to cause and avoid collisions, create art, and engage their own powers of force. A hands-on exploration will stimulate the senses and the imagination! Note: This program will take the place of our regular Toddler Early Learning program.

#### **Saturday, June 11 at 2pm - Uncle Jer's Traveling Bee Show**

Kick off the Summer Learning Program with Uncle Jer and his traveling bee show!

#### **Monday, June 13 at 3pm - The Amazing World of Edible Art**

In this amazing class we will take utilize fresh ingredients (using special recipes) and turn them into your own art pieces that you can eat and enjoy!! Examples are: strawberry mice, banana caterpillar, lion king bagels, butterfly-wiches, antipasti scooter, and more. Note: This program will take the place of our regular After School Craft program.

#### **Wednesday, June 15 at 10:30am - Hop to It!**

Sing, clap, move and count! On this musical, mathematical adventure especially designed for toddlers and young preschoolers, explore a variety of sensorial, artistic and active ways to build number sense together. Caregivers will practice 'math talk' while children express their natural mathematical abilities through play. Note: This program will take the place of our regular Toddler Early Learning program.

#### **Thursdays, June 16 & June 30 at 3pm - Project STEM**

Every Thursday during the summertime, we will be doing hands on STEM/STEAM projects for kids ages 8 to 12 years old.

#### **Saturday, June 18 at 2pm - Paper Airplanes**

Learn aerodynamic principles and how to fold the world record paper airplane for distance!

#### **Monday, June 20 at 3:30pm - Natural Dyeing with Peopleologie**

Collecting plants from your neighborhood or using ready-to-go natural dyes, you will squish, submerge, and stir, watching nature transform white material into colored. Best for participants 5 years or older. Note: This program will take the place of our regular After School Craft program.

#### **Thursday, June 23 at 3pm - Bugs as Food**

Students will learn how insects are a source of food in other cultures and consider the logic of bugs from an ecological and global conservation perspective. Lesson activity includes making Chocolate Chip Chirpies, a snack using mealworms as the main ingredient. Note: This program will take the place of our regular Project STEM program.

#### **Monday, June 27 at 3:30pm - Paintbrushes and Pigments**

Become familiar with painting materials and processes, experiment with paint application (finger painting, foam stamps) and color mixing, and explore a range of subject matter using paint as the medium. We'll also be learning about influential artists! Note: This program will take the place of our regular After School Craft program.

# June 2016 Library Calendar (cont.)

## Recurring Events for Children and Families

### **Saturday Family Fun, 11:00am**

**June 4 - Lego Building.** Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. For ages 3+.

**June 11 - Musical Early Learning.** This interactive program focuses on an important builder of literacy, music. Come prepared to sing, make beats, and have fun exploring your musical side with your little one.

**June 18 - Block Play.** Playing with blocks develops your child's eye-hand coordination as well as math and science skills. Come play, build, and learn together at a block party - library style! Suitable for children from 3 months-8 years.

### **Mondays, 10:30 am - Preschool Early Learning**

Centered around parent/caregiver-child interactions, this participatory experience engages everyone in creating developmentally appropriate fun and the early literacy practices of reading, singing, talking, writing, moving, and playing.

### **Mondays, 3:30pm-4:30pm - Afterschool Crafts**

Join us every Monday for a fun craft. Best for ages 8-13 years.

### **Tuesdays, 11:30am - Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time**

Bring your bouncing baby to our weekly playtime, full of nursery rhymes and games you can play together to stimulate their development. Ideal for children from newborn up to 18 months old.

### **Wednesdays, 10:30am - Toddler Early Learning**

Centered around parent/caregiver-child interactions, this participatory experience engages everyone in creating developmentally appropriate fun and the early literacy practices of reading, singing, talking, writing, moving, and playing.

### **Thursdays, June 2 & June 9, 3pm - Homework Hour**

This program provides students with the quiet space to study, homework help, and access to computers to complete homework assignments.

### **Friday, June 17, 7pm - Mom & Me Book Club**

Girls ages 9-12 and their mothers are invited to attend our Mother Daughter Book Club! We will be discussing The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits and a Very Interesting Boy by Jeanne Birdsall at our June meeting. Aunts, grandmothers or other adults are also welcome to attend with the girls. Please contact Stephanie Saba if you have any questions or need help ordering a copy of the book (sabas@smcl.org).

### **Saturdays, June 4 & June 18, 11am - Sensory Storytime**

This storytime welcomes all children with special needs and children without special needs. It goes at a slower pace to engage and stimulate their senses with visual aids, songs, and more. For ages 2 and up.

## Recurring Events for Teens

### **Thursdays, June 2 & June 9, 3pm - Homework Hour**

This program provides students with the quiet space to study, homework help, and access to computers to complete homework assignments.

### **Fridays, June 10 & June 24, 5pm - Teen Crafts**

Join us for some after-hours crafting! Due to the more advance nature of the projects, this event is not appropriate for children younger than middle school age. Ages 12+.

## Recurring Events for Adults

### **Tuesdays, 10:30am - Drop-in Computer Help**

Drop into this relaxed and welcoming tutoring session with all your technical questions for one on one help.

### **Tuesdays, June 14 & June 28, 6pm - Craft Time for Grown Ups**

Join us for this new and exciting drop-in program!

### **Tuesday, June 21, 7:00pm - Friends of the Brisbane Library Meeting**

Do you love your library? Would you like to have a say in its future? Come to a Friends of the Brisbane Library meeting. New people are always welcome.

### **Wednesday, June 1, 7pm - Adult Book Club**

Join us for a lively book discussion on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. We will be discussing Beautiful Ruins by Jess Walters at our June meeting. \*Note: There will be no July meeting.

# June City Calendar

All Public Meetings take place at City Hall, unless otherwise noted. Occasionally meetings are canceled or changed; please call 508-2113 to verify. You can also check the City's online calendar for the latest: [www.brisbaneca.org/calendar](http://www.brisbaneca.org/calendar).

Brisbane Farmer's Market: Thursdays, 3-7pm in the Community Park  
Residential Street Sweeping: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Every Month  
Commercial Street Sweeping: Every Weds. AM (Visitacion Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

1 Wednesday, 6:30pm  
Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

2 Thursday, 7:30pm  
City Council Meeting, T

8 Wednesday, 6:30pm  
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, T

9 Thursday, 7:30pm  
Planning Commission Meeting, T

11 Saturday, 10:00am  
Brisbane Skatepark Ribbon-Cutting

15 Thursday, 7:30pm  
City Council Meeting, T

16 Thursday, 7:30pm  
City Council Meeting, T

22 Wednesday, 6:30pm  
Open Space and Ecology Committee, T

23 Thursday, 7:30pm  
Planning Commission Meeting, T

30 Thursday, 7:30pm  
City Council Meeting, T

T - Meeting cable-cast on Ch. 27 and on [www.brisbaneca.org/live-streaming](http://www.brisbaneca.org/live-streaming)  
City Hall Regular Hours of Operation: M, T, Th 8am-5pm, W 8am-8pm, F 8am-1pm

For questions or comments about The STAR please call the City's Community Engagement Office at (415) 508-2110

## Attention Brisbane Community Pool Lap Swimmers

Please make note of the following changes to the pool schedule due to Aquatics Staff Trainings.

### **Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**

- AM Lap Swim hours will be 6:30am-8:30am
- Lunch Time Lap Swim will be cancelled

### **Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**

- AM Lap Swim hours will be 6:30am-8:00am
- Lunch Time Lap Swim will be cancelled

### **Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**

- Lunch Time Lap Swim will be cancelled

Also please make note that we change to the Summer Season schedule on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>.

See [www.brisbaneca.org/community-pool](http://www.brisbaneca.org/community-pool) for more information.



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## Local Invasive Species to Watch

### Cape (German) Ivy, English Ivy and Algerian Ivy

Cape (German) Ivy	<i>Delairea odorata</i>
English Ivy	<i>Hedera helix</i>
Algerian Ivy	<i>Hedera canariensis</i>

Ivy forms a dense groundcover that deprives other plants from light and nutrients. Ivy has the ability to climb on trees and eventually cause limbs to get so heavy they break off, and trees can die. It can also climb up the sides of buildings causing damage to the structure.

Ivy can be manually removed, although any roots left behind in the ground can result in new growth and the plant can root from stems and branches discarded on the ground. Regular vine pulling and replanting of vegetation can help prevent spreading. Sheet mulching the area right after all Ivy has been removed helps keep any leftover roots from re-sprouting.

Potential alternatives to plant: Chaparral Clematis (*Clematis*

*ligusticifolia*), California Honeysuckle (*Lonicera hispidula*), and Slough Sedge (*Carex obnupta*)



English Ivy

Also, consider purchasing native plants from the Mission Blue Nursery, right here in Brisbane: <http://www.mountainwatch.org/mission-blue-nursery/>

To learn more about local invasive species, you can pick up a copy of **Protecting San Bruno Mountain, a Guide to Conserving Local Flora and Fauna**. This pamphlet is produced by the Open Space and Ecology Committee of the City of Brisbane and San Bruno Mountain Watch, and is free thanks to the Arthur and Elena Court Nature Watch Conservancy. Stop by City Hall for your free copy!



Chaparral Clematis



California Honeysuckle



Slough Sedge



Recreational Leader and Lifeguard

See [www.brisbane.ca.org/career-opportunities](http://www.brisbane.ca.org/career-opportunities) for more info.