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Thank you, Planting Day Volunteers!

January 15th was a perfect day for doing some planting and weeding on San Bruno Mountain! Thank you to the volunteers who made habitat restoration a part of their MLK Jr. Weekend. The Mountain and butterflies, whose host plants went into the ground, especially thank you!

Shout out to Ariel of San Bruno Mountain Watch who instructed volunteers on planting native plants! If you have an interest in joining other volunteer as well as hiking events that San Bruno Mountain Watch holds throughout the year, please check the Upcoming Events page on their website, mountainwatch.org/upcomingevents.



Brisbane Historical Community



View of Brisbane, c. 1930s

The Brisbane Historical Community is a group of Brisbane residents that are dedicated to sharing Brisbane's history and stories. Meetings are held as-needed at City Hall (they have not been meeting during the pandemic).

Do you have stories of living in Brisbane? Stories can cover any topic from growing up in Brisbane, your time at Brisbane Elementary or Lipman, or any notable events related to Brisbane. Local filmmaker Keith Moreau is collecting stories from Brisbane residents recounting their personal stories of living or working in Brisbane.

If you're interested in learning more about the Historical Community, check out this revamped section of the City's website, brisbaneca.org/history which includes information on the group's Collection Policy, as well as direct links to our history books and digital collections.

Want to submit your story or be informed as to when the group meets next? Send an email to history@brisbaneca.org or call (415) 347-2038.

A Note from the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District (SMCMVCD)

Ticks are out – avoid their bites! We are entering peak months for adult western black-legged tick activity in San Mateo County. The San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District has seen no evidence of a higher risk of tick-borne disease in San Mateo County compared to previous years; however, ticks are present, and the diseases they transmit can be very serious.

Visit smcmvcd.org/ticks to learn how to avoid, thoroughly check for, and properly remove ticks.



The District is happy to answer your questions about ticks and other vectors, and performs tick and insect identification at no charge. For more information, visit smcmvcd.org.



BRISBANE LIONS
Annual (Crab) Crustacean
Dinner Dance Party
TO-GO!

February 26, 2022

(Order by February 21, 2022)

Meal Pick Up in the Mission Blue Parking Lot
Join DJ Sharon for the Dance Party on ZOOM!

The Brisbane Lions with the help of the New England Lobster Market and Eatery will be holding the Annual (Crab) Crustacean Dinner Dance Party, To-Go, benefiting our Brisbane Scholarship Program, on February 26, 2022.

Last year we were able to provide the dinners to you at our cost; we are grateful for the generous support you gave to our scholarship program through your donations during the Crustacean Dinner Pick Up. This year, we are keeping the prices the same, with the exception of items that increased in cost to us.

The selections are the same as last year, though, the presentation has changed for a couple of the menu items. You can order: complete Lobster Boil Dinners (including the Pot!), Lobster Rolls, Crab Rolls, Famous Corn Chowder, Homemade Potato Chips and even some Vino to go with your meal!

DJ Sharon will kick off the Dinner party starting at 5:00pm with some dinner music for you to enjoy while you eat. During dinner, you can send DJ Sharon a song request to play during dancing which will happen around 6:30ish!

For More Information and to Order by February 21

www.BrisbaneLions.org

News on the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update

UPCOMING HOUSING ELEMENT WORKSHOPS

- Thursday 2/10 @ 7:30pm
- Thursday 2/24 @ 7:30pm



More information at:
brisbaneca.org/housing-element-update



The City's Housing Element update is ramping up! Last month, the Planning Commission reviewed preliminary results from the Balance Brisbane survey, an interactive tool that lets users choose their preferred locations in the City to zone for new housing units mandated by the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). They discussed the important topic of how to ensure equal access to housing and combat discrimination in housing ("Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing") and reviewed the City's accomplishments from the 2015-2022 Housing Element.

Mark your calendars for Planning Commission Housing Element workshops on February 10th and 24th beginning at 7:30pm. Discussion topics will include:

- Final Balance Brisbane survey results
- Brisbane's housing needs and constraints to housing development
- Selection of sites to zone for future housing development to meet the City's RHNA
- Policies and programs to meet it's the City's housing goals for the next decade.

DEADLINE FOR BALANCE BRISBANE SURVEY EXTENDED TO **FEBRUARY 6**. "Balance Brisbane" is an interactive mapping tool to gather community input on potential sites for zoning for housing to meet the City's mandated RHNA from the State of California. If you haven't yet, log on to Balance Brisbane through the City's 2023-2031 Housing Element Update webpage: brisbaneca.org/housing-element-update and let us know your thoughts on where Brisbane should provide zoning for future housing to meet its RHNA. The tool is also available in Chinese here: brisbaneca.org/balancebrisbane-sc

To subscribe to the Housing Element 2023-2031 update email list, go to brisbaneca.org/subscribe. If you have questions, you may also email the Community Development Department via brisbaneca.org/email-cdd or reach us by phone at (415) 508-2120.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR HOME

Fire detectors save lives

Install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and remember to charge the batteries.

Create an escape plan

Ensure all members of the family know the emergency exits at home in case of fire.

Switch off appliances

Double check and make sure appliances are not left running after use.

Monitor your extinguishers

Constantly check your fire extinguishers and replace as necessary.

Clean vents and dryers

Clean lint filters after use and ensure all vents are unobstructed.

**BE AWARE AND
STAY SAFE!**



February 2022 City Calendar



The City's **Meals for Seniors Lunch Program** takes place **Mondays from 12-12:45pm** outside the Senior Sunrise Room (2 Visitacion Avenue) for drive-thru pick-up.

The **Brisbane Farmers' Market** takes place **Thursdays** from **2-6pm** in the Community Park. Please wear a face covering and remember to leave your pups at home.

See brisbaneca.org/calendar for more information on all of the following items.

Meeting Agendas may be viewed online at brisbaneca.org/meetings at least 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting, and at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting.

No-Cost COVID-19 Testing is free, safe, and generally available at the Community Park on **Thursdays, 11am – 5pm**. Sign up at cur.tv/Brisbane. See the "COVID-19 Community Updates" page at brisbaneca.org for the latest information and smcgov.org/testing for County-sponsored testing sites.

February is Black History Month

01, Chinese/Lunar New Year

01, Tuesday, 4:30pm
Public Art Advisory Committee

02, Wednesday, 6pm
Free Informational Webinar on VA Loans

03, Thursday, 12pm
Webinar: Learn to Love Induction Cooking

03, Thursday, 8pm
City Council Meeting, B

07, Monday, 6:30pm
Complete Streets Committee Meeting, B

09, Wednesday, 6:30pm
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, B

08, Tuesday, 1-5pm
San Mateo Credit Union On-Site Visit

10, Thursday, 7:30pm
Planning Commission Meeting, B

11, Friday, All Day
City Hall Closed for Lincoln's Birthday

15, Tuesday, 4:30pm
Public Art Advisory Committee

17, Thursday, 7:30pm
City Council Meeting, B

21, Monday, All Day
City Hall Closed for President's Day

23, Wednesday, 6:30pm
Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, B

24, Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, B

2 days/week City Hall Walk-In Service Hours: M: 9am – 1pm, Th: 9am – 1pm. Please see all our online services at www.brisbaneca.org/online-services.

Do you have questions about the STAR or have an article to suggest? Articles are due by the 15th of each month. Contact Caroline Cheung at ccheung@brisbaneca.org or (415) 508-2157.

**Effective January 1,
California law requires residents to sort
organic waste from garbage!**

If you do not yet have a **green** cart or bin for organic waste, please contact South San Francisco Scavenger at **650.589.4020**.

Residents of multifamily residential complexes should encourage their property owner or manager to make contact.

To learn more, please visit:

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp
www.brisbaneca.org/waste-recycling
www.ssfscavenger.com



An
important
message
from



SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
SCAVENGER
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Is that a City-Owned Street Tree? Most Likely, Yes!

Did you know that the City planted most of the street trees in Central Brisbane that beautify the streetscapes, provide protection from the elements, and reduce pollution? A mature tree can absorb 48 pounds of carbon dioxide in a year! Over the years, certain trees were approved for planting, with appropriate trees selected over time that do well in our climate and with our streetscapes. Decades ago, there were very few street trees in town.



It can be challenging to know whether the tree in your front yard is a City street tree or a “private” tree belonging to the property owner. The property line between City right-of-way and your lot is often not at the curb or the back of sidewalk. When properties were subdivided to build homes, typically in Central Brisbane, 40 feet was reserved for roadway and utility infrastructure (street, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, water, sewer, storm drains, electrical, gas, and communication lines, both above and below ground). However, pavement widths are less than that, meaning the property line can be in your front yard. The right-of-way line can also meander on winding, hillside streets such as Humboldt and Kings. City staff often needs to review their maps to determine whether a tree is public or private.

If you have a concern about a tree or are unsure if it belongs to the City, please first contact the Public Works Department via the My Brisbane app, the City’s website via brisbaneca.org/contact, or by calling Public Works at (415) 508-2130. Do NOT cut it down or trim it without doing so.

Lastly, for your safety, please do not attempt to trim tree branches that are touching or located near PG&E power lines; PG&E will need to first assess and then work with the City before trimming the tree.

“Trash Talk” with SSF Scavenger

Q: How does the new California law (SB 1383) affect residents of Brisbane?

A: Everyone is now required to have organics collection service. The law requires thoughtful sorting of waste materials before placing in the correct bin for collection. Organic waste like yard trimmings, food scraps, and food-soiled paper belong in a green bin. Clean/dry paper and cardboard belong in the appropriate blue bin (under the grey lid if you have a split recycling cart). Many residents are already doing this. Those that are not, are required to start and should call South San Francisco Scavenger at (650) 589-4020 if in need of a green bin. Note that residential customers (single-family homes with weekly curbside cart service) pay an integrated rate for waste collection; there is no additional charge for adding a green cart. Commercial customers (including multifamily residential properties where waste bins are shared by many families) incur a charge for adding green bin service. This charge is usually mitigated by decreasing garbage collection. It is the property owner or manager’s responsibility to contact South San Francisco Scavenger to start green bin service. Individual tenants should encourage them to do so.



Q: Can all products that are labeled “compostable” be placed in the green bin?

A: No. Your green bin is only for organic waste materials that can successfully be processed into fuel and compost. Those materials are yard trimmings, food scraps, food-soiled paper, and wax-coated paper (like parchment paper, wax paper, wax-coated produce boxes). The green bin is not for items that look like plastic – regardless of what their label may say.



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Happy Retirement to Steve Beaty and Joe Riedell!



Steve Beaty



Joe Riedell



Lobster's back!

At the Brisbane Farmers' Market

FEBRUARY 24, 2-6PM

THE CITY OF BRISBANE PROUDLY PRESENTS
20th Annual ARTISTS' EVENING of SHARING



SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH | 7PM

Join us for an inspiring showcase of local artists, musicians, performers, filmmakers and writers.
In the interest of safety, this event will be shared via live stream and Comcast Ch. 27.
Details can be found at brisbaneca.org/AES

In late December, we bid farewell to Steve Beaty and Joe Riedell after their retirements from the City; they served 20 and 27.5 years, respectively! Many in the community knew both of them, with Steve overseeing a myriad of recreational programming over his career such as Teens, Youth and Adult Sports, and Seniors, and Joe mentoring and coaching his peers, and bringing an energy like no other ever since starting as a reserve for the Brisbane Fire Department. Fun facts: from March 2020 to mid-December, Steve oversaw distribution of approximately 10,000 meals for the Seniors. He was most well-known for being the resident BBQ-er for the Seniors and running the Brisbane Derby. Joe was an animal when it came to working out that firefighters half his age had difficulty keeping up. We hope you both are enjoying your well-deserved retirements and thank you for your many years of dedicated service to the City!

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