



City of Brisbane Monthly Newsletter April 2023 Volume 20, Issue 4

Utility Billing News

During the pandemic, when the State, County, and City's COVID-19 State of Emergencies were in effect, water shutoffs were not conducted when utility bills were past due and late fees weren't paid. Pre-pandemic, such was standard practice: when utility bills weren't paid by the due date, a late notice with a \$5 late charge would be mailed the following day. If payment was still not received within 15 days, then a 10-day notice would be sent as well as hand-delivered to the property. If payment was still not received within 10 business days, then water would be disconnected at the property until the bill was paid. Fortunately, this did not happen very often, but there were occasions.

Utility bills are mailed out at the end of every even month, with payment due generally on the **5th or at the beginning of the following even month**. So, if payment for the February bills, which covers service for the prior 2-month period (Dec. 15 – Feb. 15), isn't received by the beginning of April, customers can expect to receive a late notice and the \$5 late charge. Avoid this by paying by the 5th of April either: online at <u>brisbaneca.org/utility-billing</u>, over the phone at (415) 508-2154, or in-person at City Hall (50 Park Place, Brisbane). If payment is still not received by the time the 10-day notice period has expired, then the account will be scheduled for shut-off.

A reminder that a public hearing will be taking place at **7:30pm on April 6th at the City Council Meeting** where Council will consider water and sewer rate adjustments for the next five years. If the proposed maximum rates are adopted, the City may collect rates at or below the proposed maximum as needed to meet the City's financial needs for the purchase cost of water from SFPUC and sewer treatment charges from the City and County of San Francisco. You can join the meeting via Zoom at <u>brisbaneca.org/cc-zoom</u> or in-person at City Hall.



 The Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

 Learn more: https://www.csd.ca.gov/waterbill

Did you know the City has a **Low Income Rate Assistance Program, or LIRA**, offered to current City of Brisbane utility customers who are enrolled in PG&E's Care Discount Program. Once a customer is enrolled in the LIRA program, discounts will go into effect starting the next billing period. Customers can apply for PG&E's CARE discount program and/or find out if you are eligible at <u>pge.com/CARE</u> or by calling 1-866-743-2273.

Lastly, the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) recently announced the **expansion of eligibility for the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP)** to include all eligible low-income households, regardless of whether they are current on their bill or have a past due balance. LIHWAP is a limited term, federally-funded program that provides financial assistance of up to \$2,000 to help low-income Californians struggling to pay residential water

and wastewater bills. Visit csd.ca.gov/waterbill or call (888) 728-3637 to see if you qualify & to apply.

Note: Previously, eligibility for one-time water bill assistance under LIHWAP was limited to low-income households with a past due balance on their water or wastewater bill and at risk of disconnection or disconnected from their services due to nonpayment. With this expansion in eligibility, qualified low-income households will be able to receive a LIHWAP benefit even if they are current on their utility bill.



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FILMS BY AND ABOUT WOMEN

<u>ALL</u> PROCEEDS GO TO THE BRISBANE LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR WOMEN PURSUING DEGREES IN MALE-DOMINATED FIELDS.







NOMINATE A FELLOW NEIGHBOR!

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Do you know someone who has tirelessly given of their time for the betterment of the community? We want to hear about them! Please send your submissions for the 2023 Volunteer of the Year and Youth Volunteer of the Year to Noreen Leek at nleek@brisbaneca.org These special individuals will be announced at the 2023 Day in the Park event.



Brisbane Library Calendar – April 2023

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tuesday, April 4 at 6pm – Papermaking with Peopleologie

Adults will make plant-able paper is the ultimate eco-friendly craft and folk art! With paper pulp from your recycled paper and seeds, you'll create plant-able gift tags, cards, or cut into shapes or strips for the perfect gift that keeps on giving. Register at <u>smcl.org/events</u>

Saturday, April 8 at 2pm – Bug Out: Python Ron's Reptile Kingdom

Look, touch and hold exotic reptiles in astonishing colors and sizes. You will be fascinated to see all the different creatures that travel with Python Ron. From 18-foot pythons to 4-footlong lizards, Python Ron gives everyone the opportunity to get close up and personal with these awesome creatures. For all ages.

Tuesday, April 11 at 11am – Ask a Park Ranger!

One of our local Park Rangers will come and give a presentation about what they do in the Parks Service and what it is like to work for Parks and Recreation in San Mateo County. Come join us and learn about our parks and these exciting career opportunities in nature! For high school students & adults. Register at <u>smcl.org/events</u>

Wednesday, April 19 at 2:30pm – Anime Your Way

Join former Simpson's artist Carlos Nieto III for Anime Your Way for a step-by-step drawing to create an anime character from scratch, no matter what your drawing level is! This workshop is part of our Peninsula Libraries Comic Arts Fest celebration which goes on for the entire month of April 2023. Check out <u>comicartsfest.com</u> for more information!

Thursday, April 20 at 11:30am – Music & Movement with Mr. Daniel

Celebrate Month of the Young Child by joining us for Music and Movement with Mr. Daniel! Children of all ages and their families are invited to sing and dance along to classic songs in Spanish, English and Portuguese.

Friday, April 21 at 11am – Bug Out: Watercolor Butterflies

Adults will learn how to paint butterflies using watercolor blending techniques! We'll start off with basic watercolor exercises to familiarize beginners with watercolor. No prior experience required! Register at <u>smcl.org/events</u>

Tuesday, April 25 at 1:30pm – Music Circle Time for Kids

Kids and caregivers are invited to join us for a musical circle time led by Cassie Levy. The class focuses on basic building blocks of music such as vocalization through melody, rhythm, and learning introductory musical instruments like rhythm sticks, shakers, and triangles, with the occasional appearance of a snare drum or parachute.

Wednesday, April 26 at 3:30pm – Paws for Tales

Do you have a reluctant reader? Sign your child up for a

10-minute session to practice reading with a therapy dog at the library. We'd like to thank our partners for making this possible: Pet Assisted Therapy teams and their handlers from the Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA's Paws for Tales program. Registration is required, and space is limited, so register early at <u>smcl.org/events</u>

Thursday, April 27 at 11:30am – Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time with Special Guest, Karen Cunningham

Children who are exposed to literacy early and often are likely to become better readers and writers than those who lack this exposure, and on this day in April, which is the national Month of the Young Child, Brisbane City Councilmember and County Library JPA Board Member Karen Cunningham will be leading the songs! Don't miss it.

Saturday, April 29 at 2pm – Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble of San Francisco

Celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month with a special performance from the Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble of San Francisco! The Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble of San Francisco (LJYE) is a performing group of talented musicians ages ten to 18. They play Latin jazz classics and original compositions at a level that has landed them gigs at the San Jose Jazz Festival, the KCSM Jazz Festival, KGO Radio, Yerba Buena Gardens Festival, SF Museum of Modern Art, Paramount's Great America and the world-renowned jazz club, Yoshi's.

Keep an eye out for more fun events that we're planning to bring to Brisbane Library at <u>smcl.org</u>!

RECURRING EVENTS

Mondays at 6:30pm – Yoga

Interested in learning how to do yoga or already have a practice, and want to join others in your community? Please bring your own towel or mat. Space is limited. Register at <u>smcl.org/events</u>

Tuesdays at 1:30pm – Family Storytime

Come along on an imaginary adventure for Family Storytime. Hear new stories, sing songs, and learn wiggles that the whole family can enjoy together, from toddlers to grown-ups.

Thursdays at 11:30am - Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time

Bring your bouncing baby to our weekly playtime, full of nursery rhymes and songs you can do together to stimulate your baby's development. Ideal for newborns up to 18 months old.

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 6:30pm - Tech Troubleshooting with Digital Navigators

Digital Navigators is an online resource that connects you with experts to help you troubleshoot technology and to assist in locating low-cost internet prices. A Digital Navigator always responds to you within 24 hours. Staff will work with you one on one to demonstrate basic troubleshooting techniques, all the while showing off Digital Navigators!

POWER UP AFTERNOONS

Join us for Power Up Afternoons! We have fun drop-in experiences available for kindergarten through high school students every day after school. Take a study break to relax with free-form art or experience hands-on STEAM activities. There will be no power up during Spring Break.

Monday, April 24 from 3-5pm – Pokémon Maker Day

Gotta catch them all in the Makerspace! For Maker Monday, we will be having a Pokémon themed open Makerspace. Hang out with Pokémon fans and 3D print a Pokémon starters or create your own Pokémon card!

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 3:30pm – Science Action Club

Come to Science Action Club and join our Bug Safari for Power Up Afternoon! You'll learn all about the arthropods that live in your local community through local field expeditions and make contributions to nature research through community science projects. For students grades K-6.

Mondays from 3-5pm – Maker

Discover what you can make using our library maker tools. Sometimes techy, sometimes crafty, always fun!

Wednesdays from 2:30-4:30pm – Game On Solve a lockbox Challenge, puzzles, board games and more.

Fridays from 3-5pm – What Will You Create? Ease into the weekend with a fun, creative activity.

DARK DAYS AND A Black Dog

BOOK BY: EMILY KEELER

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT

\$10 PER TICKET

A DRAMATIC READING

BY: ANDREA SNOW

Purchase your tickets here:



BRISBANE DANCE WORKSHOP <u>APRIL_16TH_2023</u> 4:30PM MISSION BLUE 475 MISSION BLUE DR

Important Tree Removal Information

With all of the stormy weather 2023 has brought, tree removals have become a hot topic. Before you begin to remove a tree from your property, please consider the following. Brisbane Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 12.12 contains the City's tree removal provisions and here are a few highlights:

- Certain trees are protected, either by species or by permit conditions, and require an application prior to their removal. Generally, these require one-to-one replacements.
- The City recognizes that emergencies arise and if the condition of a tree presents an immediate hazard to life or property, it may be removed without the 7-day notice or a permit (brisbaneca. org/cd/page/log-7-day-notices-and-tree-removal-permits).



First, for such cases, please contact the Community Development Department during office hours (see contact information below) or the Police Dept. at (415) 467-1212, after hours, to apprise us of the situation and get approval for its immediate removal. To obtain approval for emergency removal, information such as the tree species, photos, and a description of the hazard will be required. If the concern is regarding a tree that is in the public right-of-way, contact the Public Works Department at (415) 508-2130. Such trees are City property and only the City can remove them.

For more information on tree removal provisions and permitting, please refer to the City's Tree Removal and Landscaping webpage (brisbaneca.org/cd/page/tree-removal-and-landscaping) or contact the Community Development Dept. at (415) 508-2120 or planning@brisbaneca.org. 5

APPLICATION

Submission Date: _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name:	
Company:	
(If applicable)	
Address:	

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____ (If applicable)

SPONSOR LEVELS

Title Sponsor: \$2,500

Gold Sponsor: \$1,250

Silver Sponsor: \$300

Bronze Sponsor: \$150

Please submit applications to:

brisbanerec@brisbaneca.org or c/o Jeff Franco, Parks and Recreation Department, 50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005

Please make checks payable to: City of Brisbane

ABOUT US

"The mission of Parks & Recreation services in Brisbane is to engage and inspire a healthier community by providing fun, inclusive, innovative and safe parks, facilities and programs."

We are excited to present the 2023 Summer Concerts in the Park series! In order to provide top notch entertainment and quality bands, we need your support! Your generous donations will help significantly and we ask that you consider becoming a sponsor to make this Summer concert series the best yet. The 2023 series will be held on select Fridays in July and select Sundays in August as outlined below. Your sponsorship helps to create timeless memories for the Brisbane community! The various levels of sponsorship are

Concert Line Up

further detailed on the next page.

- Friday, 7/14 Pride & Joy
- Friday, 7/21 DJ Sharon sponsored by Lion's Club
- Friday, 7/28 Livewire Band
- Sunday, 8/6 Local Brisbane Bands
- Sunday, 8/13 Houserockers

SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT

We would be honored to have your support for the 2023 Summer Concerts in the Park series! In exchange for your generosity, we offer opportunities for sponsor recognition within the Brisbane community as outlined under the Sponsor Levels. If you are interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities please email us at brisbanerec@brisbaneca.org.







Sponsor Levels

Title Sponsor: \$2,500 & above

- Vendor booth at least one (1) concert
- VIP perks at concerts
- Recognition on the City's digital signboards
- Sponsor acknowledgement at concerts
- Donor recognition on concert swag
- Name & logo listed on gazebo sponsor banner
 + All items listed below

Gold Sponsor: \$1,250

- Company logo or individual donor name on concert series promo flyers
- Sponsorship acknowledgement in the City Manager's eBlast to the Brisbane community
- Free concert T-shirt (1)
 + All items listed below

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Silver Sponsor: \$300

- Company logo on the Brisbane P&R webpage
 - Logo/Sponsor recognition on board at concerts
- Logo/Sponsor recognition on concert T-shirts
 + All items listed below
- Bronze Sponsor: \$150
- Highlight on Brisbane P&R social media
- Name listed in the City's monthly STAR newsletter
- Name listed on gazebo sponsor banner

DISCLAIMER: Inclusion on printed materials requires sponsorship applications to be submitted by: June 1st, 2023



Summer Concerts **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

brisbaneca.org/events

MARKETING SPECIFICATIONS

To simplify the distribution of sponsor information and increase recognition, we ask that you are prepared to send the below materials based on your sponsorship level.

*Note: A high-resolution png format is preferred.

Company Logo

Title/Gold/Silver Sponsors To maximize sponsor recognition, we urge you to provide several versions of your logo (horizontal, vertical, square) that can be adapted for various promotional platforms. *Format: png preferred, jpeg accepted.

eBlast

Title/Gold Sponsors

Please prepare a brief marketing blurb to recognize your donation. *100 word count maximum.

Social Media Highlight

All Sponsors

Please prepare a brief blurb specifically designed for social media. Include a few photos, desired hashtags, and associated account handles for tagging purposes. *100 word count maximum.

Anonymous donations are also welcomed!





The City's Meals for Seniors Lunch Program takes place Mondays from 12-12:45pm outside the Senior Sunrise Room (2 Visitacion Ave.) for drive-thru/walk-up pickup. In-person Senior Lunch is every Wednesday at 11:30am at the Community Center.

The Brisbane Farmers' Market takes place Thursdays from 3-7pm in the Community Park (5 Old County Road, Brisbane).

See <u>brisbaneca.org/calendar</u> for more information on all the above and the following items.

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

05, Wednesday, 6:30pm Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting, B

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

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

17, Monday, 4:30pm Public Art Advisory Committee Meeting

19, Wednesday, 6pm Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accountability (IDEA) Committee Meeting

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

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

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

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

B = Broadcast live on Comcast Ch. 27 and YouTube

City Hall Walk-In Service Hours – 5 days/week: M, T, Th: 9am – 4pm, W: 9am-7pm, F: 9am – 12pm. Please see all services that can be conducted remotely at <u>brisbaneca.org/online-services</u>.

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 <u>ccheung@brisbaneca.org</u> or (415) 508-2157.





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- Bring your friends

April 22, 2023 9:30am - 12:30pm Rock Wren Lane - Brisbane, CA

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BRISBANE, CA 94005

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