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## 2 Coyote Workshops Scheduled with CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife

**Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> (7pm) and Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> (10am)**

In January, staff met with Andrew Hughan of the CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife. Andrew is the Public Information Officer for Regions I (Northern) & III (Bay Delta, which Brisbane falls in). Very familiar with the area, having grown up in Millbrae and spending some time in Brisbane over the years, he recognizes urban coyotes as being an ongoing problem and wants to offer his assistance and recommendations for how to go about tackling this issue.

Therefore, he will be returning to Brisbane and bringing with him at least one San Mateo County Game Warden and possibly a wildlife biologist to one or both workshops. They

will be available to share their perspectives and answer any questions from the public on ways to keep coyotes at bay.

In the meantime, PLEASE DO NOT KEEP PET FOOD BOWLS OUT OVERNIGHT—Andrew said that bringing those back inside may result in 90% of the problem being solved. Coyotes are like dogs and will remember how they got their last easy meal...and will keep returning to get their next.

Please join us in the Community Meeting Room at City Hall on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> or Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>! We look forward to the discussion and working towards a solution to keep the coyotes, our pets, and our families safe!

# 14th Annual Artists' Evening of Sharing – Call for Artists!

**Event date: Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Artists' Evening of Sharing with Brisbane Artists will be held on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Each year, the City of Brisbane invites local artists to share their work with the Brisbane public at the Artists' Evening of Sharing event, held at Mission Blue Center. At this annual event, Brisbane artists will showcase music, theater, dance, images of visual artwork, photography, and film. Showcasing and honoring Brisbane's art advocates allows

the community to understand the rich diversity and depth of talent that surrounds it and stimulates an exchange of ideas about art. Admission for the Artists' Evening of Sharing is free, with a reception and refreshments following the event. If you haven't already planned to do so, make sure you come celebrate Brisbane's creative spirit! For any questions about the event, please contact Beth Grossman at [beth@bethgrossman.com](mailto:beth@bethgrossman.com).

## It Takes a Village to Improve a Community

BRISBANE VILLAGE  
Helping Hands



*Want to assist Brisbane residents who need an occasional helping hand?*

*Want to meet new people and get to know your neighbors?*

*Looking to volunteer locally – according to your schedule?*

If so, please consider joining Brisbane Village Helping Hands (BVHH), a new all-volunteer nonprofit organization whose mission is to help residents 55 and over to “age in place” and stay connected to their community here in town. BVHH is actively recruiting Volunteers and Members who can benefit from our services. (And yes, it's possible to be both a member receiving services and a volunteer willing to assist others.)

Volunteers must be Brisbane residents and at least 18 (21 to be a volunteer driver). Our first volunteer training is planned for early March (details to come) for those who have completed the volunteer sign-up process, which includes a background check. Volunteers can donate their time and talents in a variety of ways:

- Helping with minor home repairs or light yard work;

- Providing transportation such as a ride to the doctor;
- Helping with technology;
- Stopping by for “friendly visits”;
- Participating in occasional social events, such as potlucks.

As a volunteer, you can sign up for tasks based on your interests, talents and availability.

If you'd like to be part of this exciting community effort that will be ready to launch soon, please visit our website at [www.brisbanevillage.org](http://www.brisbanevillage.org); email us at [brisbanevillagehelpinghands@gmail.com](mailto:brisbanevillagehelpinghands@gmail.com); or call 415-508-2185 and leave a message.

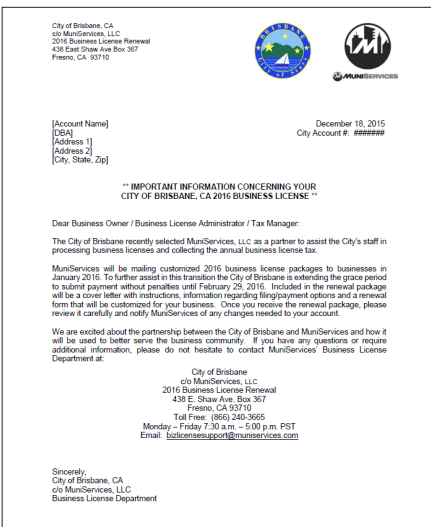


## MuniServices Now Handling Business Licenses for the City

**Grace period to submit payment extended to February 29<sup>th</sup>**

The City recently selected MuniServices as a partner to assist the City's staff in processing business licenses and collecting the annual business license tax, which is based on a business's gross receipts. If you are a Brisbane business owner, in December you received a letter that looks like the one pictured left. This letter informed business owners that the City is extending the grace period to submit payment without penalties

until February 29, 2016. In January, you should have received a renewal package with a form customized for your business from MuniServices. Please review the renewal package carefully and notify MuniServices of any changes needed to your account. For any questions, please call MuniServices at 1-866-240-3665 or e-mail [bizlicensesupport@muniservices.com](mailto:bizlicensesupport@muniservices.com). Thank you for your patience as this transition gets underway!



# February 2016 Library Calendar

## Special Events

### Wednesday, February 3, 7pm - Adult Book Club

Join us for a lively book discussion on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. We will be discussing *In the Unlikely Event* by Judy Blume at our February meeting.

### Thursday, February 4, 3:30pm - Harry Potter Book Night

In honor of Harry Potter Book Night, we'll celebrate these magical novels with the rest of the world! Join us for an afternoon of fun Harry Potter-themed activities!

### Wednesday, February 10, 10:30am - Storytime with Oliver Chin

Author Oliver Chin will lead a special storytime in honor of Chinese New Year!

### Friday, February 12 & February 26, 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+.

### Friday, February 19, 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 *Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson at our February 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).

### Saturday, March 5, 11am - Yoga Storytime with Leyna

Join us for a morning of yoga with Leyna Roget! The routine of reading will take on new depth with puppets, songs and yoga poses. Books selected will encourage children (and caregivers) to connect with their breathing, transform their bodies into animals and elements in nature, along with creative movements for self-expression.

## Recurring Events for Children and Families

### Saturday Family Fun, 11:00am

**February 6 - Lego Building.** Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. For ages 3+.

**February 13 - Little Musician Jam Session.** Bring your own instrument or instruments, or play with ones we have on hand and jam with new friends!

**February 20 - 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, 10:30am - Preschool University

Preschool University is a weekly opportunity for preschoolers to engage in discovery, fun and learning in a storytime setting! Preschool University is a weekly opportunity for preschoolers to engage in discovery, fun and learning in a storytime setting! \*Note: There will be no Preschool University on February 15.

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

Join us every Monday for a fun craft. Best for ages 8-13 years. \*Note: There will be no Afterschool Craft program on February 15.

### 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 Stories and Playtime

Join us for a fun, music-filled storytime designed for your toddler's development. Ideal for children between the ages of 18 and 36 months.

## Recurring Events for Teens

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

Join us every Monday for a fun craft. Best for ages 8-13 years. \*Note: There will be no Afterschool Craft program on February 15.

### Wednesdays, 4pm - MouseSquad

Join us every Wednesday for MouseSquad!! We'll do fun and interactive tech projects every week. This program is perfect for tweens and teens in 4-8th grade!

# February 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 (Visitation Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

1 Monday, 7pm

Parkside Precise Plan Workshop #2

3 Wednesday, 6:30pm

Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

4 Thursday, 7:30pm

City Council Meeting, T

8 Monday, 6:30pm

Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, T

10 Wednesday, 6:30pm

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, T

11 Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, T

12 Friday, 8am-5pm

City Hall will be closed in honor of Lincoln's Birthday. Operation hours will switch to 8am-5pm, daily, on this week.

15 Monday, 8am-5pm

City Hall will be closed in honor of President's Day

18 Thursday, 7:30pm

City Council Meeting, T

23 Tuesday, 7pm

Coyote Workshop #1 with CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, T

27 Saturday, 8pm

Live at Mission Blue: Ann Moss Soprano

475 Mission Blue Dr. | Tickets: [www.liveatmissionblue.com](http://www.liveatmissionblue.com)

25 Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission 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) 508-2157

## 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, 1 pm - Computer Classes:

#### February 2 - Borrow Free Ebooks

Bring your e-device and learn how to download e-books from the library!

#### February 9 - Free Digital Magazines (Zinio)

Bring your smartphone, tablet or laptop and learn how to download complete digital editions of your favorite magazines.

#### February 16 - Free Music Downloads (Freemusic)

Learn how to access and download free music from the library to your computer and/or mobile device.

#### February 23 - Google Docs

Learn all about this free, web-based office suite that includes online data storage and real-time collaboration. Create, edit, and share documents, spreadsheets, presentations, forms, and drawings.

### Tuesday, February 2 & February 16, 6pm - Knit With Us

On the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, join knitters of all skill levels and share knitting tips or swap patterns with others. Limited supplies will be available. For all ages.

### Tuesday, February 16, 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.



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## Skatepark Fundraising Update

### Additional \$2,550 Raised!

So far, responses to **Tony Verreos'** letter to local businesses, following up on the initial successful **Commit-To-A-Brick** campaign, has added \$2,550 to the total collected. Thank you to the Brisbane Shopping Center Management, Lettieri & Company, Gotelli Plumbing, and James Fitzgerald, DDS for your generous contributions. Due to production lead time requirements, **this is your LAST** chance to be part of

our story—marking your contribution in stone! Add your company's name on a brick for \$200 each, or include your logo along with an inscription for \$350 each. Any donations over \$1,000 will be placed on the plaque inside the new **Skatepark** and also includes a brick. Please contact Caroline Cheung at City Hall by **Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>** to reserve your brick! [\(415\) 508-2157](tel:4155082157) or [ccheung@ci.brisbane.ca.us](mailto:ccheung@ci.brisbane.ca.us).

— PACE —

**On December 17, City Council adopted a resolution to include the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program called Home Energy Renovation Opportunity (HERO). HERO assists homeowners and business owners to finance energy saving, water saving and electric vehicle infrastructure projects. HERO is the second PACE program adopted by City Council; CaliforniaFIRST was adopted in 2010. CaliforniaFIRST offers financing for similar projects and seismic strengthening projects. Benefits of upgrading your home or business are: savings on your electric and/or water bill, increasing your property value, adding local jobs, and decreasing your contribution to global warming.**

**Take advantage of one of these PACE programs to start saving energy used by your home or business!**

**For more information on these programs, please visit:**

**CaliforniaFIRST: [www.californiafirst.org](http://www.californiafirst.org)**

**HERO: [www.heroprogram.com/brisbane](http://www.heroprogram.com/brisbane)**

