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PIZZA AND POSSIBILITIES, MAMA MIA'S PIZZA IS THE SILVA BROTHERS' AMERICAN DREAM

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From Left: Patrick Silva, Rodger Silva, Christopher Silva, and Marcos Silva

It was a Craigslist ad that brought them here. Brothers Marcos and Rodger Silva purchased Mama Mia pizza on February 27, 2013, from its previous owner when they stumbled upon a post advertising its sale. Marcos searched for months for the right restaurant. He needed one that he could afford and one with a menu he wanted to cook. Marcos plugged in the address to Mama Mia's and realized Brisbane was much closer to his home in Daly City

than he thought.

"I thought Brisbane was far away because I never heard of it before. When I saw how close it was, I came to look at the restaurant, and, once I drove into town, the clouds parted, and the sun was shining," Marcos explained. This is how the love story between the Silva brothers, pizza, and Brisbane began.

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MAYOR'S Message

CALLING YOUR ATTENTION

By: COLEEN MACKIN, City of Brisbane Mayor, cmackin@brisbaneca.org, 415-529-8114

A lot of different topics to address this month, so put on your seatbelt.

First, let's talk about water. Residents were mailed a letter from the City of Brisbane about improvements needed for our water and wastewater infrastructure.

In simple terms, aging water and sewer lines will only last so many years. Sight unseen, and buried underground, many of these pipes are on their last legs. Some are 50-80 years old.

Since 2015 we've tackled many projects to keep our water and sewer service functioning, but there's more that needs to be done.

We have a 20-year plan to phase in projects; every five years we address the most pressing repairs/improvements. This also keeps rate

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SUPERVISOR'S Message

FIGHT RAGES ON TO SAVE ONLY WARM WATER THERAPY POOL IN COUNTY

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On July 24, more than 100 activists and elected officials participated in an impassioned rally I hosted to urge Sutter Health to reopen the Mack E. Mickelson warm water therapy pool in downtown San Mateo, the only facility of its kind in the county.

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BRISBANE GARDEN SHOW HAS DEEP ROOTS!

By: LEESA GREENLEE, Brisbane Parks and Recreation Commissioner



Top Row, L to R: Joanna Christian, Martha Adkinson, Joanna Wiesman, and Dee Wright.

Bottom Row, L to R: Lucille Ewers, Anita Gravbosky, Geneva Johnson, Byron Jensen, Lillian Echols, and Thyra Schroeder.

Having a warmer micro-climate in Brisbane, compared with it's surrounding neighbors, makes gardening here a natural pastime.

Sometime in the 1960's a group of avid

gardeners sprouted from the Federated Woman's Club and branched off and formed the official Brisbane Garden Club. Led by Master Gardener

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increases as low as possible.

The current proposed projects are the second of four phases in that 20-year plan.

While replacement of additional sewer lines is on the current project list, there are also pump upgrades to ensure water conveyance and emergency shutoff. And since Brisbane has grown in population over the past decades, we need to evaluate whether our wastewater systems are sufficient to meet future demand.

October 6th, the City Council will hold a public hearing about a proposed rate increase to pay for these badly needed projects. You're welcome to bring your questions and voice your concerns.

Different topic...We have a major General Election coming up this November 8th. Yes, these are the "mid-terms" you're hearing about. This important election will determine state

legislators in California and on a national level for the Senate and House.

If you don't have a current voter registration, you have until October 24th to register online or mail in the registration card. And don't forget to vote!

As your representative for Brisbane on the Peninsula Clean Energy Board, I'm pleased to report that we're moving forward successfully (and with great urgency) in securing more renewable energy sources for 24/7 clean power. In recent months, PCE has signed a variety of long-term contracts for solar, wind, and geothermal power. The renewable energy sector is really exploding with investment capital going into a vast array of new projects all over the world.

And speaking of energy, there's a perception that gas appliances cost less to operate than electric ones; not anymore. If your stove or water heater is nearing replacement, do yourself a favor and check out the newer electric appliances that are cheaper to operate over their lifespan than gas versions. An added bonus is that your home will have improved air quality, since electric appliances have no emissions like gas versions.

I'd like to recognize two milestones at our

Sierra Point business community...First is the "topping off" of the new "Genesis Marina" building at 3000-3500 Marina. This is the new structure you've seen taking shape near the northbound entrance to Hwy 101. Credit goes to Phase 3 Partners for developing a beautiful landmark structure that will anchor that corner of Sierra Point.

And second, I'd like to welcome Johnson & Johnson to our business community at Sierra Point. They'll be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20th for their new Research and Development Center at "The Shore", 1600 Sierra Point Parkway. This R&D facility will establish a major presence for J&J at Sierra Point. Their stated focus will be: "a site designed for Janssen's Discovery, Product Development and Supply, Infectious Diseases, Data Sciences and Retinal therapeutic area teams as well as John & Johnson Innovation's California Innovation Center and Johnson & Johnson Health Tech organizations".

In closing, let's be aware that kids are going back to school and not always conscious of traffic. Slow down, and be mindful of those 15 mph zones near schools and all the crosswalks.

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Present at the rally were former patrons, many in wheelchairs, some with medical oxygen — all desperate to return to the warm water that for some had been the only way to ease their pain and have a decent quality of life. The therapy pool is used by individuals throughout the county, from Brisbane to Redwood City.

Unfortunately, Sutter failed to take these former pool patrons and their supporters seriously. Instead, nonprofit health care giant issued a boilerplate response to the rally that failed to explain why it refuses to reopen the pool.

For starters, the Sutter contends that "continued uncertainty surrounding COVID" restrictions is a driving factor in the not-for-profit's decision to permanently close the only warm water therapy pool in the county, despite the reopening of similar therapy pools in Santa Clara and San Francisco counties.

But there is no uncertainty regarding COVID restrictions in San Mateo County. Recognizing that facilities such as the Mickelson therapy pool are vital to the health and well-being of the community, they were expressly exempt from closure during the pandemic. According to San Mateo County Environmental Health, "Therapeutic pools were exempt from any closures during the peak Covid mandate. Therefore, therapeutic pools have been allowed to provide access during COVID and the present."

The Sutter asserts that "our focus on providing quality acute care services and our ongoing efforts to be good stewards of resources have led us to close the program."

But let's take a look at Sutter's resources. At year-end 2020, the healthcare giant had \$7.8 billion in total cash, cash equivalents, and investments. Sutter reportedly received \$853 million in federal CARES Act funding, which was passed for the express purpose of keeping vital community resources such as the Mickelson therapy pool open during the COVID pandemic.

Sutter received nearly a billion dollars from the federal government designed to save programs such as the Mickelson therapy pool and instead closed the pool.

Sutter, however, doesn't even need to rely on its huge war chest of cash reserves to reopen the Mickelson therapy pool. The Peninsula Health Care District has offered to fully fund all necessary repairs, remodeling and operational costs required to reopen the therapy pool until a permanent replacement becomes available. Sutter declined this generous offer.

The \$4 million Mickelson facility, which opened 25 years ago, was financed entirely by community donations, including \$1.5 million from the late philanthropist Mack E. Mickelson.

Plaques on the wall next to the pool also showcase the names of over 200 significant community donors.

Warm Water Wellness, a coalition of health care workers, local government officials and former pool users backed by nearly 5,000 petition signatures, have demanded that Sutter either reopen the therapy pool or refund the philanthropic donations, \$7.2 million in today's dollars, that Mills-Peninsula initially received to construct the Mickelson Center, according to Lindsay Raike, CEO of Warm Water Wellness, a local nonprofit.

We will continue these demands and stage even more rallies until Sutter provides the help our community needs to heal and rehabilitate. Please visit warmwaterwellness.org for more information.

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Initially, Rodger wasn't on board with the idea because after observing the business for ten days he realized orders were very low, like painfully low, 2-3 deliveries a day kind of low. According to Marcos, "the business was dead." But he saw possibilities, mainly in the charm of Brisbane, its friendly residents, and sunny weather. Brisbane reminded him of his hometown in Brazil. Marcos convinced Rodger that they needed to purchase Mama Mia's Pizza, and they did.

Marcos and Rodger immigrated to the United States from Brazil. Marcos came first, alone, 16 years ago. After some encouragement, Rodger followed four years later. Marcos worked at Mr. Pizza Man and Marcello's Pizza in San Francisco, and it was there that his passion for the food industry and pizza was born. Marcos worked as a delivery driver but was always curious about the kitchen. While other workers took their breaks, Marcos used his to learn from the cooks how to prepare dishes on the menu, and his dream of owning a restaurant took shape.

Today, Marcos is living his dream; he and Rodger cook the menu at Mama Mia's, which includes pizza, sandwiches, pasta, burgers, salads, seafood dishes, and even vegan options. Their most popular pizza is the Mama Mia Combination Special, topped with salami, pepperoni, mushrooms, bell peppers, sausage, and onions. I like their pesto pizza, which I add toppings to depending on my mood. My brother enjoys their pizzas by the slice, which are HUGE, and also loves their chicken tenders and french fries.

In a few months, Marcos and Rodger will celebrate their 10th anniversary of owning the restaurant, and with the milestone, they hope to enhance their massive back patio and add a beer and wine license. Their patio is a fantastic place to host a party because of its size and freedom to decorate. Avoid the mess of hosting at home and next time,

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hold your gathering at Mama Mia's.

Before the pandemic, Rodger and Marcos grew their business to around 60 daily deliveries, a far cry from where they started. However, like many beloved businesses, Mama Mia's has felt the weight of COVID-19. Now, deliveries hover around 20-30 per day, but Marcos and Rodger are hopeful that their business will return to normal, yet it will take community support to get them there.

If you visit them, look out for Marcos' children, Patrick and Christopher, who work behind the counter when not in school. Along with the boys, you might also see Linda, Jesus, Eduardo, Clint, or Efigenio delivering your order or working behind the counter. Marcos and Rodger are particularly grateful for their employees, so much so that they asked I mention each by name. I think that embodies how Marcos and Rodger view their employees as family.

Marcos recognizes that part of growing his business requires continued education. He's currently enrolled in Rouxbe Culinary School to perfect his skills in the kitchen and graduates in December. When not studying or working, Marcos and Rodger represent Brisbane on a Mama Mia's sponsored soccer team called Santa Cruz. They have won four championships. Marcos plays midfield, and Rodger plays defense. A stroll to the back patio takes you past their trophies and photos from tournaments.

Mama Mia Pizza is located at 35 Visitacion Ave and is open weekdays, 10 am-10 pm, and on weekends from 11 am-11 pm. They are the perfect choice for a late-night Brisbane meal. Delivery is free and fast to Brisbane addresses when you order for \$15 or more. Visit their website: mamamiapizzas.com or call 415-468-1032. If you stop by, mention reading about this business in *The Luminary*!

FOUNDATION FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY LIBRARIES - ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

By: KAREN CUNNINGHAM, Board Member Foundation for San Mateo County Libraries, karencunningham2011@gmail.com

As a fairly new Foundation, we are now reaching out further to bring you our goals and our ask.

This is a little PR plug for my favorite job as a Board Member on the San Mateo County Libraries and also as a Board Member on the Foundation for San Mateo County Libraries (yes, the fundraising arm of the Library System). Yes, I want your money, as much as you can spare so that we can continue to bring "growth" to every member of the SMCL Community. If you can write a check for \$1M I will be very happy. If you can write a check for \$10, I will also be very happy. So please InvestInSMCL.org

Gone are the days when a Library was just a quiet place to go read a book. The Libraries of the future are invigorating growth centers for all kinds of learning and enjoyment, for all ages and abilities, and yes, there are wonderful quiet places where you can just go read a newspaper too. But now you can use bicycles, learn how to sew, make something great on

a 3D printer, learn to play a ukulele, catch up on some summer reading, attend an award winning summer program and the list goes on.

All of this in all of the diverse communities of our wonderful leading edge communities in our County. One of the great inspirations to me from SMCL (besides the incredible staff) is The Big Lift Inspiring Summers Program. This is an absolutely incredible summer program for kids K-3; a place that is free of cost to participants and with project-based, STEM learning activities, healthy meals, exciting field trips and books, books and more books to take home.

So, let's grow San Mateo County, let's raise the roof on our growth for the rest of 2022.

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**Garden Show, continued from page 1**

Lillian Echols, (see picture) This bunch of plant enthusiasts encouraged each other and promoted beautiful gardens all over Brisbane.

When the new Community Center was built in 1982, the Garden Club decided it was time to host a garden show. The show was both modest and impressive. Using beer bottles as vases and folding tables for displays, the whole town got to see the fruits of their labor. The club invited everyone to enter and compete for the "Best of" in many categories. After the secret judging, the doors opened and bright 1st-2nd-3rd place ribbons were revealed. The club held its show until 2001, where it went dormant until it was revived in 2021 with a whole new crop of gardening-ribbon hopefuls from all over town.

This year, in partnership with the Brisbane Park and Recreation

Department and the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce, The Brisbane Garden Show will have new prizes and expanded categories for kids and adults. Winners of first place awards will be able to choose a \$25 gift card from select Brisbane Chamber of Commerce member businesses. \$50 gift cards will go to the winners of the more prestigious awards such as "Best in Show."

The Garden Show will still be held in the (now old) Community Center, still with folding tables and beer bottles- the spirit of the founding gardeners lives on. Hoping to build on a fertile past, this year's show should not be missed. Even in a drought year, the benefits of a warm summer might finally get those tomatoes to ripen...just in time for the competition!

Register at: brisbaneca.org/garden to show off what you have been growing! I'll see you (with a fun flowery hat) at the Brisbane Garden Show!

LOOKING TO HAVE A TABLE AT DAY IN THE PARK?

By: RICARDO MONROY, City of Brisbane Recreation Coordinator, rmonroy@brisbaneca.org

Brisbane's 35th Annual Day in the Park event is scheduled for Saturday, October 1st from 10am – 3pm. The Parks & Recreation Department is looking forward to another year hosting this event and we hope you are, too! The Department is committed to ensuring a great community event for all and this year's event will continue to offer vendors lining Old County Road, live music, fun for the adults, yummy food, festive community-building events, and new attractions for the kids. As we've done in the past, we are encouraging local businesses to be involved. If you intend to participate, you must complete an application form and turn it in to Ricardo Monroy at rmonroy@brisbaneca.org by September 9, 2022. Application forms for Community Groups, Arts & Crafts Vendors, and Commercial Vendors can be found at brisbaneca.org/dip-derby. For any questions, please reach out to Parks and Rec at (415) 508-2140.

TRASH TALK - PLASTIC MAKES OZZY THE ORGANICS CART SICK

By: TERESA MONTGOMERY, Chamber Board Member and Sustainability Manager at SSF Scavenger, and ADRIENNE ETHERTON, Sustainability Manager at City of Brisbane

Q: Can I put plastic bags in my blue or green cart?

A: No. Plastic bags, wrap, mailing envelopes, and similar "film plastics" belong in your grey Garbage cart only. This includes those marketed as "recyclable" or "compostable"— even liner bags. When placed in your blue or green cart, film plastics are a contaminant that cause equipment breakdowns, and degrade the value of processed organics and recyclables.

Q: Are milk, ice cream, and juice cartons recyclable?

A: No. Please do not put them in your blue Recycling cart (on either side). Paper cartons from the refrigerator/freezer section of the market are considered food-soiled paper and belong in your green Organics cart. Please rinse and drain first. If there's a plastic spout, please remove and place in grey Garbage cart.



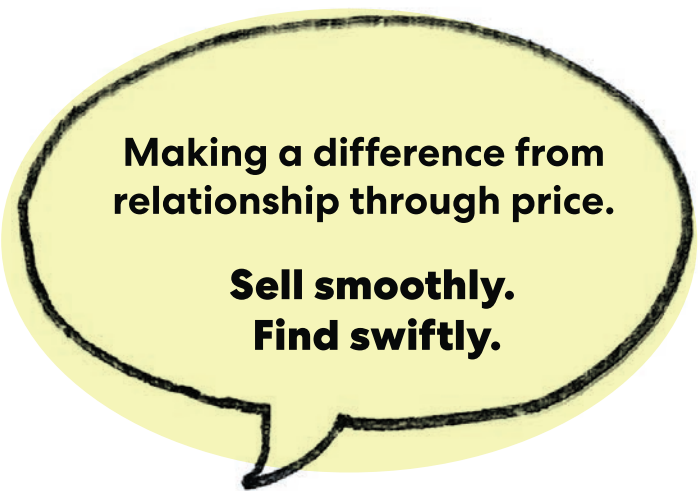


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FINANCIAL Focus

FINANCIAL TIPS FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED

By: SVEN GEFFKEN, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones, Sven.Geffken@edwardjones.com, (650) 355-1365

Being self-employed has some benefits: You get to choose your own hours, you don't have to count "vacation days" and you'll never worry about getting downsized. On the other hand, you're truly on your own – there's no employer-sponsored retirement plan and no benefits package. So, if you've recently started a business or become a "gig worker," possibly due to the COVID-19 pandemic, what can you do to get on the road to financial security?

There are several steps you can take, including the following:

- **Establish a budget.** When you're self-employed – and especially when you're first starting out – you need to keep tight control over where your money is going. So, establish a budget and stick to it.
- **Open a retirement plan.** As a self-employed individual, you can choose a retirement plan, such as a SEP-IRA, a SIMPLE-IRA or an "owner-only" 401(k). When your earnings are limited, you can contribute modest amounts to any of these plans, but when your income rises, you can boost your contributions. While these retirement plans have some things in common, including tax-deferred growth of earnings, they differ in other areas, such as contribution limits, and one plan may be more suitable for you than another, depending on whether you have employees. You may want to consult with a financial advisor to determine which plan is best for your needs.
- **Build an emergency fund.** When you work for a business or other organization, your income is predictable – but that's usually not the case when you're self-employed. And when your earnings are uneven, you can be vulnerable to financial stress when you face an unexpected expense. To help protect yourself from these threats, try to gradually build an emergency fund containing a few months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account.
- **Pay down your debts.** Some debts, such as loans to help your business, may be unavoidable – and even productive. But other debts, especially those that can't be deducted from your taxes and carry a high interest rate, are far less useful, so you may want to set up a repayment plan. With your other expenses, you might not be able to whittle these debts down as fast you'd like, but, over time, your efforts can pay off.
- **Put money aside for taxes.** Because no employer is withholding taxes from your paychecks, you will likely have to make quarterly estimated payments. Plus, you're responsible for all your Social Security taxes, which, if you worked for someone else, would be split between you and your employer. To make sure you've got enough money available to pay your taxes, you might want to set up a special account – one that's not used for any other purpose.
- **Get proper insurance.** Depending on the nature of your work, you may or may not need some type of business insurance, but if you have a family, you should certainly consider the need for life insurance, and you may also want to consider disability insurance.

Self-employment can be quite fulfilling – and you'll find it even more rewarding when you make the right financial moves.

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BLAST FROM BRISBANE'S PAST

By: MADISON DAVIS, Brisbane Chamber of Commerce, madison@brisbanechamber.org, 415-467-7283

The following article is taken from *The Brisbane Bee-Democrat*, printed September 29, 1966

Flower Festival Draws Crowds

The auditorium of the Natalie Lipman School was transformed into a lovely floral setting for the first Fall Flower Festival last Saturday, with the many spectators who passed through the hall agreeing that they forgot it was a part of the school and imagined a beautiful garden.

Barbara Kerling, Miss Brisbane, cut the ribbon, opening the show to the public at 11 o'clock that morning, and the viewers continued to admire the displays through the afternoon and into the evening.

This successful event, which was sponsored by the Brisbane Recreation Department, has as its co-chairman, Byron Jensen and Lillian Echols. The members of the Brisbane Garden Club put in many hours to create the setting for the show and classify the entries.

It became a community affair, with such organizations as the PTA taking over kitchen duties and keeping the supply of hot dogs and coffee going, and the members of the Firemen and Police Wives Association serving refreshments in their simulated sidewalk cafe.

The five judges were not to be envied as they had to decide among the many entries in the show. The displays were grouped into two divisions,

Floral Arts and Horticulture. Each division had three classifications.

Harry E. Nelson, head of the department of Horticulture of San Francisco City College, was one of the judges. The other four were Mrs. C. M. Yohn of Daly City, who is active in flower shows throughout the county; Martha Van Ness from Pacifica, who was clerked at the Hall of Flowers at the San Mateo County Fair, and works at the Country Garden Center in South San Francisco; Patricia Houston, one of Mr. Nelson's students; and Mrs. Irene Oliver, a local artist.

Margaret Vaughn's display of the plants of Brisbane drew many comments and was awarded the first prize ribbon pinned to the collection. A driftwood attraction which drew special attention was entered by "Runt" Trantham. It was titled "Which Came First, the Egg or The Chicken?", and it provoked many comments as well as hearty guffaws.

Prize winning exhibitors in the show were Lucille Ewers, Johanna Whistman, Dee Wright, Daisy Todd, Anita and Jack Grabovsky, Lillian Echols, Ruth E. Baker, Margaret Schmidt, Ruby Gylfe, Geneva Johnson, T. Schroeder, Lucille Smith, Martha Adkinson, Peter Giffen, and Margaret and Russel Vaughn.

Flower arrangements, miniatures, driftwoods, dish gardens, and cut flowers were only a few of the displays throughout the hall, with fragrances from ginger, carnations, petunias, and Spanish shawl mingling in the air to add to the garden-like atmosphere.

BRISBANE BUSINESS BULLETIN

"The Brisbane Business Bulletin" allows Brisbane Chamber of Commerce members to communicate brief bits of news to the public such as change of hours, new product offerings, upcoming events, etc. If you are interested in listing a news item next month, please contact Madison Davis at madison@brisbanechamber.org

Another Round of Small Business Grants from the City of Brisbane are Available!

You're invited to our next mixer on Wednesday, September 21 from 5pm-7pm, hosted by Lyrical Opposition. The event location is still to be determined so please keep an eye out for more information in the Chamber's email newsletter.

San Bruno Mountain Watch presents the annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, September 11th!

Please join a morning of food, friends, and fun supporting their nursery, education, and ecological restoration programs. Enjoy delicious blueberry pancakes, sausages, fruit, and coffee from 9am to 12pm. Mission Blue Nursery will be open and selling native plants at the event from 9am to 2pm. More info: <https://www.mountainwatch.org/pancakebreakfast2022>

Lyrical Opposition Debuts Their Film, Re-Entrification on August 28th

Join Lyrical Opposition to celebrate their film with a screening at the New Parkway Theater in Oakland from 12:00pm-2:00pm on August 28th. Re-Entrification is a film that tells the story of residents displaced from their homes due to the Bay Area's high cost of living and their eventual move into tiny homes. The film explores displacement from a variety of perspectives and the importance of reclaiming sustainable economic structures that allow people to remain in the neighborhoods they were born and raised in.

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Welcome to New Chamber Member, Tala Wine!

Tala Wine Co. is bringing you an ever-changing selection of thoughtfully curated wines available for delivery to your door via subscription or a la carte. All of the wines sourced have a focus on stewardship of the land, agricultural transparency, expression of terroir, food-friendliness, and sometimes a punk rock vibe. Drink what you like, or try something new. Visit their website: tala.wine or email owner Tala Drzewiecki at tala@tala.wine

The Brisbane Garden Show Returns, August 27th with Prizes Offered by The Brisbane Chamber of Commerce

Enter the Brisbane Garden Show or stop by to see the entries on August 27 at the Community Center from 1pm-4pm. 1st place winners will receive a \$25-\$50 gift card to a Brisbane Chamber of Commerce business, chosen from a pre-determined list. For more information, see the article "Brisbane Garden Show Has Deep Roots!" in this Luminary.

Don't Miss Lyrical Opposition's Brisbane Poetry Night on August 25th!

You're cordially invited to Brisbane Poetry Night on Thursday, August 25,

2022. Join Lyrical Opposition at the Brisbane Lunch Truck (3501 Bayshore Blvd) from 4pm-6pm for an afternoon of entertainment, experiential art, music, and spoken word poetry from local artists from Brisbane, the Bay Area and beyond.

2023-2031 Draft Housing Element

The City's Draft 2023-2031 Housing Element was made available on brisbaneca.org/HousingElementUpdate August 8, 2022. This began the formal 30-day review period, which ends September 9, 2022. Please review the chapters and send any comments to the Community Development Department at brisbaneca.org/CD-Contact-Form.

Emergency Siren Warning System Tests

You may have recently heard the City's Office of Emergency Services testing their Emergency Siren Warning System throughout town. This test is done every other month. To sign up for emergency email/text alerts from the City, please sign up for SMC Alert at smcalert.info.

Emergency Water Conservation

On June 10, 2022, the State Water Board adopted emergency water conservation regulation which bans commercial, industrial, and institutional accounts (including HOAs) from watering certain kinds of ornamental or non-functional grass. Violation of this order is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 for each day in which the violation occurs. See more information at brisbaneca.org/emergencyban.

50 Free Conservation Self-Audit Kits Available

The Public Works Department has leveraged its Conservation funds to acquire 50 Self-Audit Kits, FREE to the first 50 residents, businesses, or local nurseries who would like one. They come with handy items to help find leaks and identify inefficient faucet aerators and shower heads. View an instruction video at www.brisbaneca.org/selfauditkit and stop in during open City Hall hours (M, Th: 9-4, W: 9-7) to pick up a kit!

Get Informed on the Upcoming Ballot Measures

The City of Brisbane will have two measures on the November 8, 2022 ballot – a Business License Tax on hotels and a half-cent Transaction and Use Sales Tax. See more about the upcoming General Election, including information about the measures, at brisbaneca.org/2022election.

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BRISBANE School District News**WELCOME TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!**

By: RONAN COLLVER, Brisbane School District Superintendent, rcollver@brisbanesd.org

We have had a very exciting summer in the Brisbane School District and we eagerly look forward to our wonderful students returning on August 24th! Both Panorama and BES have been undergoing the first phase of their modernization projects this summer which will be completed by the end of next summer. These projects as well as the modernization of Lipman have been funded through a modernization bond this community passed in 2020. The staff and students are very grateful of the continued support that comes from our community.

COVID is a virus that we will continue to deal with as we move into a new school year. The Brisbane School District will do all that we can to mitigate the spread as much as possible. Our complete plan can be found at www.brisbanesd.org. We strongly recommend that all individuals wear a mask indoors; please note that in the event of an outbreak either in the community or at a school, we may require masks indoors for periods of time. The main change in our protocols from last school year is a shift from testing students at school to making at home tests available for families.

The BSD breakfasts and lunches will be provided by the Bayshore School District kitchen. The improvement in the quality of the food as well as the smaller environmental footprint that this new program offers has been much needed in our district. Our trial runs were very successful and the response from students and staff was overwhelmingly positive. We are also

happy to report that all lunches will be provided free of charge to our students.

The Bayshore School District needs to hire 2 kitchen staff that will work at Lipman and BES. These are 4-hour shifts from 10-2 and the basic functions of the job are minor food prep, serving lunches and cleaning up afterwards. Feel free to contact me at 415-363-6132 and I can put you in contact with the right person at Bayshore School District.

The Brisbane School district also has openings for classroom paraprofessionals, English Language Development teacher as well as substitute paraprofessionals and substitute teachers Our [BSD Job Flyer](#) can be found on our web site or feel free to call our office at 415-467-0550 for details.

Even though we are limiting the amount of volunteers on our school sites, the District is still in need of volunteers. Please look over the many options we have in the District for you to contribute your time on our [Parent Involvement Opportunity Flyer](#) which can also be found at www.brisbanesd.org.

I look forward to a fantastic school year in the Brisbane School District and very much look forward to all the positive improvements we have made in preparation for the students and staff return.

WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM CAPITAL CHARGE PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER

By: CAROLINA YUEN, Finance Director, City of Brisbane, cuyen@brisbaneca.org



The City is phasing in four planned fee increases over a 17-year period in order to pay for improvements to the City's aging water and wastewater systems. The original Capital Projects Charge was approved by the City Council on November 20, 2014, and became effective with the March 2015 bill. This charge funded a handful of capital projects completed over the past several years.

Now, it's time to start the process for the next proposed fee increase in order to fund another set of planned projects. Arriving in mailboxes in early August will be a 3-page letter notifying property owners and water and wastewater customers of the public hearing scheduled for October 5, 2022, and describing the proposed fee increase. The full letter can be accessed at: brisbaneca.org/DraftCapitalProjectsCharge. If you have any questions on the proposed increase and public hearing, please contact Stuart Schillinger, Assistant City Manager at (415) 508-2151 or at schillinger@brisbaneca.org.

If a majority of rate payers protest, then the new fee cannot go into effect; level of service, though, will need to be reduced.

The existing Capital Projects Charge is adjusted annually in August, based on the amount of water used between mid-February and mid-June. You may see the Capital Projects Charge on your August water bill increase or decrease based on your account's water usage between mid-February and mid-June (water usage is measured in units; 1 unit of water = 100 cubic feet, or 748 gallons). The August bill will be arriving at the end of the month. Therefore, any changes for the Capital Projects Charge on your August bill are related to the change in your water usage, not the Capital Projects Charge explained in the letter dated August 5, 2022. If you should have any questions on the annual adjustment, please reach out to Ligia in Utility Billing at (415) 508-2154 or email at lferreira@brisbaneca.org.

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