



2018 Mayoral Commendation for the Arts Recipients:
Kevin Fryer, Camille Salmon-Olivier, and Beth Grossman



Mayor Clarke Conway



Administrative Services
Director Stuart Schillinger

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2018 State of the City Recap

This year's State of the City Address took place at City Hall on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 for the community to hear from the Mayor and see what the finances of the City look like. Among the attendees were County Supervisor David Canepa and Elmer Martinez of Senator Jerry Hill's office. Mayor Conway started his presentation talking about Community Building, highlighting the 2018 Volunteer of the Year, Nancy Colman, where Brisbane Village Helping Hands would not exist without Nancy' vision and leadership. "These are the people who do things for the love of Brisbane, not for accolades," remarked Mayor Conway. Along that same vein, the recipients of the 2018 Mayoral Commendation for the Arts – Kevin Fryer, Camille Olivier-Salmon, and Beth Grossman – were recognized for bringing the community together by way of the "Live at Mission Blue" Chamber Concert Series, Brisbane Dance Workshop, and the Artists' Evening of Sharing. Live at Mission Blue will celebrate its 15th and final year in 2019; Brisbane Dance Workshop is in its 37th year of providing dance and voice lessons to Brisbane's youth, teens, and adults; and the 17th Annual Artists' Evening of Sharing will be taking place in February 2019.

At the heart of each community are its schools, and Mayor Conway highlighted the second BES modular that was installed at the beginning of this school year, to meet increased demand in Parks and Rec's programming and allows elementary-aged children a safe place to go after school lets out. This secondary childcare modular is temporary, with a larger, permanent one planned for 2020 with the help of Supervisor Canepa's office. The City continues to support Lipman's afterschool program, Club Lipman, in the amount of \$50,000 annually. Club Lipman is free of charge, and also offers after-school homework support, in addition a variety of rotating clubs, such as Art and Ceramics, Hiking, Chess, even Construction & Engineering. Thanks to the hard work and persistence of a Brisbane parents group, working with the Mayor and representatives from SamTrans to secure transportation to and from school for Brisbane high schoolers, two routes were implemented as part of 1-year pilot program, which Supervisor Canepa also assisted Brisbane with in securing. These routes were put in place in time for the current school year and will later be evaluated for continued inclusion in the SamTrans service plan.

Several Capital Improvement Projects were

touched on next, notably the Water Main Replacement Project, which is currently in its first phase. Its purpose is to increase the fire flow pressure to the homes along Sierra Point, Humboldt, Annis, and Thomas. This project will also adds new hydrant locations to improve coverage and replaces aging infrastructure.

The New Brisbane Library is starting to take shape! The Friends of the Brisbane Library kicked off their fundraising campaign, with donor tiles being the material this time. We have stars at the playground, bricks at the Skatepark, and now we'll have tiles at the Library. Go to www.fobl.info to donate. It's going to be exciting to see the facility take shape in the coming year, and having the ribbon-cutting sometime in Fall of 2019.

Statewide issues followed, with Mayor Conway speaking about Caltrain Electrification, Cannabis, and of course, the Baylands and Measure JJ. At the time of this writing, only unofficial election results were available; the County has until December 6th to certify the election results. Mayor Conway ended his remarks by saying, "Regardless of how Measure JJ turns out, we need to come back together as a community and work together."

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Administrative Services Director Stuart Schillinger spoke about how the City Council budgets rather conservatively and credited the City Council for growing the City's General Fund balance from \$9.6M in 2004/05 to \$11.6M in 2016/17 (even during a recession), never spending more than what was taken in. The Council worked very hard to ensure the services people received in the community were the same – the Pool's hours didn't change, Police were still able to maintain a proper response time, the Fire Dept. was still there. The City has consciously reduced its fund balance, but for necessary items such as Capital Improvement Projects, an employee benefit trust fund, a motor vehicle replacement fund, and a facility maintenance fund. Performing these types of actions now affords future Brisbane

City Councils the ability to make decisions in the best interests of the community they're serving, and allows for our current City Council to continue offering the types of services widely enjoyed by community members today.

A recording of the State of the City can be played back on the City's website, or on our YouTube channel, BrisbaneCA: <http://bit.ly/2Qa86lt>

What If A Fire Were To Break Out on San Bruno Mountain?

As we watch the fires burn in northern and southern California, and hope for the best possible outcomes for our fellow citizens, we should also take the time to ensure that we will be informed about what to do in the event of a local wildland fire.

First of all, be sure to register with SMC Alert, either on their website <https://hsd.smcsheriff.com/smcalert> or by texting to 888777. The first responders and their public information officers can't reach you if you don't register!

In the event of a fire on the mountain, check your registered

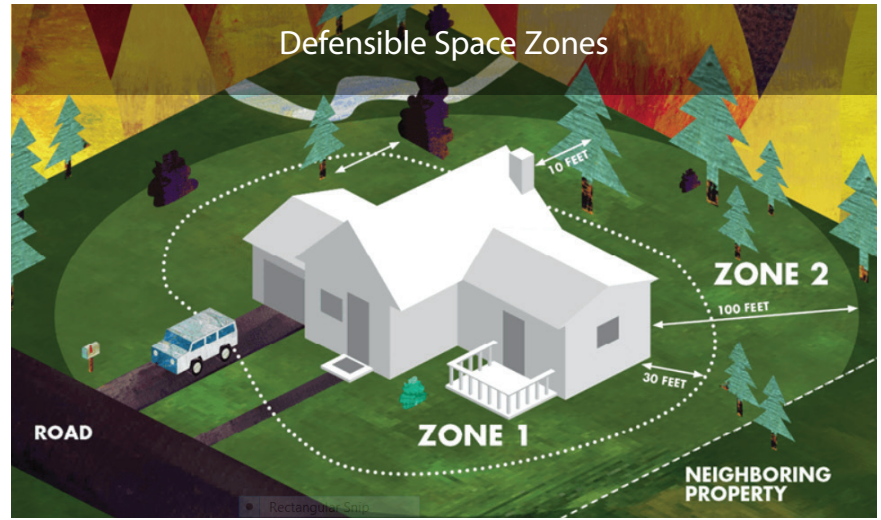
devices, the city's website, and listen for announcements made by first responders over their public address systems.

Understand that in the event of a contained fire, you might be directed to shelter in place. Staying off the roads will allow better access for fire apparatus.

If told to evacuate, the City's Residential Assembly Point for those needing shelter is the Marina parking lot in front of the Sierra Point Yacht Club (500 Sierra Point Parkway). Be sure to follow any instructions on which route to take to avoid conflicts with incoming first responders.

If you are forced to flee on foot, assemble at the Community Park for transportation to Sierra Point.

Finally, remember to keep and create a defensible space around your home by conducting regular weed and brush abatement. For more information on defensible space, please see: <http://www.readyforwildfire.org/Defensible-Space/>



History Subcommittee's Living History Project



Just approved this year as part of the City's 2018-2020 Budget is a Living History Project. This will be a digitally-stored archive, available for anyone to access from home or at the New Brisbane Library, which is currently under construction. Local Brisbane filmmaker Keith Moreau will be helping capture the stories of those that have lived in Brisbane for a few moons, especially the stories of the seniors that have been here for a very long time. Students and community members can check it out when they want to study and learn about the history of the town. These are not items limited to the political history of Brisbane, but the spoken and living history of Brisbane. What do you know that highlights a bit of our town's history?

With your permission, we would love to spotlight your experiences and pay it forward with memories that can shed light to future generations to get inspired. If you have a story or memory to share, please email it to schillinger@ci.brisbane.ca.us. You may even see your story shared in a future STAR issue! Special thanks to new Brisbane resident Ivy Clark for the great idea to capture these and share them with the rest of the community by way of this publication.

December 2018 Library Calendar

Special Events

Monday-Friday, December 3-7, All Day - Rigamajig

Create structures from your imagination with our Rigamajig Building Kit. All ages are welcome for this fun maker activity.

Thursdays, 10:30am - Bilingual Storytime/Hora de Cuentos

Come and enjoy stories and songs in English and Spanish. Vengan y disfruten cuentos y canciones en inglés y español.

Wednesday, December 12 & 26, 4pm - Geeky Gatherings

Calling all tween/teen geeks and nerds! Come gather at the library for snacks, games, anime showings, movies, comic book discussions, and other geeky activities. Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Saturday, December 15, 10am - Qi Gong Meditation

Visit the Library before we open for some quiet meditation.

Thursday, December 20, 3pm - Giant Games at the Park

Come hang out with the library at the Community Park Farmer's Market! We'll have giant games, hula hoops, and more! If the weather permits, join us every third Thursday of the month from 3-4pm.

Friday, December 21, 12pm - Holiday Open House

Join us for a day of Holiday celebration at the Brisbane Library. Our schedule throughout the day includes crafts for all ages, making and sharing yummy holiday treats, and other fun activities.

Monday, December 31, 11am - Noon Year's Eve

It's time to ring in the new year! Come celebrate with fun and food at the library. We'll have New Year's Eve Storytime complete with a New Year's Eve countdown to noon!

Recurring Events for Children and Families

Saturday Family Fun, 11:00am

December 1 - Lego Building

Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. For ages 3+.

December 15 - 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 Early Learning

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

Mondays, 4pm - Masterpiece Mondays

Create a masterpiece every Monday using various art supplies. Participants in this unguided program will have a chance to get creative and unleash their inner artist!

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 early literacy practices of reading, singing, talking, writing, moving, and playing.

Recurring Events for Adults

Tuesday, December 18, 7pm - 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.

Library Holidays & Closures

Monday, December 24, 2018 – Libraries close at 5:00 PM for Christmas Eve
Changed Hours Open: 10:00AM – 5:00PM

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 – Closed for Christmas

December 2018 City Calendar

Check the City's online calendar for the latest:
www.brisbaneca.org/calendar.

Brisbane Farmer's Market: Thursdays, 3pm - Sunset in the Community Park
Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month

Commercial Street Sweeping: Every Weds. AM (Visitacion Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

02, Sunday, 5:45pm at the top of Visitacion, 6pm at the Park
2018 Festival of Lights

05, Wednesday, 7pm
Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

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

08, Saturday, 11am – 5pm
BDW's Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair at Mission Blue Center

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

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

15, Saturday, 5pm-10pm
Parents' Night Out at Mission Blue Center

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

24, Monday, Starting at Noon
City Hall closed for Christmas Eve

25, Tuesday
City Hall Closed for Christmas

31, Monday, Starting at Noon
City Hall closed for New Year's and January 1st all day for
New Year's Day

B - Meeting broadcast on Ch. 27 and on www.brisbaneca.org/live-streaming

For questions or comments about The STAR please call
Caroline Cheung at (415) 508-2157 or ccheung@brisbaneca.org

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Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – Closed for New Year's Day



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DID YOU KNOW...

That the Brisbane Police Department recently got its own unique address? 147 Valley Drive is reflected on the building now. This is to help the public get to the Police Dept. and officers more easily. Visitors to the Police Dept. can park in the lot located on Valley Drive (before the gate). Please still send mail though for the Police Dept. to: 50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005.



Fresh Fish is Back at the Farmer's Market!

You may recall Maynard of Dragon Baby Seafood, who was at the Brisbane Farmers' Market last year. Well, he's back, and wanted the Community to know! He generally has black cod fillets for \$10/lb. and ling cod fillets for only \$6/lb.

Stop by the market, which is going to still take place through the holidays in the Community Park, from 3pm – sunset, and see what other specials he has to offer! Thank you for supporting your local farmers' market.




HOLIDAY FOOD AND TOY DRIVE

Drop off your non-expired canned goods and/or unwrapped present(s) to Brisbane City Hall. Monetary gifts also accepted.

NOW THROUGH DEC. 20, 2018

50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA
or call (415) 508-2172 for more information.

Thank you for helping your fellow Brisbane Community members in need!

BDW'S NINTH ANNUAL

Holiday ARTS & CRAFTS Fair!

Saturday - December 8th
11am-5pm

Featuring a huge assortment of wonderful handmade items by over 30 local artists and craftspersons.

Live musical entertainment all day!
Get your photo taken with Santa!

Concession stand with homemade/locally-sourced sweets and treats, as well as lunch items and beverages!

MISSION BLUE CENTER
475 Mission Blue Drive - Brisbane
Just south of SF on I-01 - near the Cow Palace and (what was) Candlestick Park.
Easy access over Guadalupe Canyon Road from Daly City.

Free Admission! Free Parking!

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND ARTIST LINKS, VISIT WWW.BRISBANEDANCEWORKSHOP.ORG

HOLIDAY COAT DRIVE
(New or Gently Used)

DROP OFF AT: BRISBANE CITY HALL
November 27 - December 28
Benefits San Mateo County residents in need



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