



Open Seats for OSEC and Complete Streets Safety Committee

A Great Way to Get Involved and Serve your City!



There is currently one open seat on both the Open Space and Ecology Committee (pictured above) and the Complete Streets Safety Committee. The Complete Streets Safety Committee meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 pm and the Open Space and Ecology Committee (OSEC) meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 6:30pm.

Applications are now being accepted to fill these seats for terms ending in January 2022. The deadline to submit completed applications (in-person or by email) to Ingrid Padilla, City Clerk, is **Friday, February 15th @ 1:00pm.**

Please visit the City's website, www.brisbaneca.org for the applications, or contact Ingrid at ipadilla@brisbaneca.org.

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San Mateo County Libraries Go Fine-Free!

Growing a Culture of Learning and Participation



San Mateo County Libraries are kicking off the new year by eliminating all fines! Starting January 7th, the library system is going fine-free to ensure that all members of our community have equitable access to library books and materials.

Studies have shown that late fines can be a significant barrier to library access and drive borrowers away, particularly among individuals with low or fixed incomes. Currently, 8% of all San Mateo County Libraries' 165,000 cardholders currently have their cards blocked due to fines. In our lower income communities, the number can be as high as 19%. Furthermore, the growing research has shown that fines do not actually incentivize patrons to return materials on time.

"It's important to be thoughtful about punitive measures like overdue fines. When we look at the data, it turns out they aren't effective. At the end of the day, we want to get as many books as possible into the hands of as many readers as possible," said Charles Stone, Library JPA Governing Board Chair. "This is a proud moment for all of us at San Mateo County Libraries as we continue to look for better ways to serve our community through innovative solutions and progressive policies."

The new policy builds upon previous successful initiatives implemented by San Mateo County Libraries. In July 2016, the Libraries introduced fine-free library cards for children and teens and last January, launched fine-free library cards for seniors age 62 and older.

Eliminating late fines is becoming a national trend as more and more libraries across the country are taking the leap to go fine-free. Libraries that have moved to a more customer focused policy have reported that the elimination of fines results in higher use, increased customer satisfaction, and positive interactions with the community.

Brisbane Village Helping Hands

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIAL

3.9.2019

3-5 pm

with barbershop quartet

Sunrise Center, Visitacion Avenue

Here's What You Can Learn:

- More about Brisbane Village Helping Hands
- How to become a volunteer to help local seniors
- How volunteers can help you if you are over 55

For more information,

Call: 415.508.2185

Visit our Website:
brisbanevillage.org

Email us:
brisbanevillagehelpinghands.org



Authors: Tuong Van Do & Kathy Wall

Our “City of Stars” hosts a rich and vivid population of Artists, sharing their talents in town and around the Bay Area. A handful of them will be performing at this month’s Artists’ Evening of Sharing event at Mission Blue Center. Recently, the Brisbane STAR sat down with local residents Tuong Van Do, who also goes by Van, and Kathy Wall.

Van has served the City on the Planning Commission and Kathy’s strong voice can be heard serenading the crowd at many community events, such as the Day in the Park, the Veterans’ Flag-Raising Event, and the Festival of Lights. When we heard that they both recently published children’s books, we wanted to find out a little bit more...

What are the names of your books and can you give us a brief synopsis?

KW: My first book, “Maggie the Magnolia”, was written 28 or so years ago, after I had purchased a little magnolia tree over in the East Bay and carried it across the East Bay in my little red convertible I owned at the time. It was quite a ride! After I planted it in my yard, I thought it might be a good story, so I wrote it down. My second book, “Oscar the Oak”, has to do with Maggie’s friend Oscar being left behind in the nursery and what happens to him next...

VD: My book is called “Bay and Be’s First Lullaby”. It’s set to the tune of “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star” and is a story about the uniqueness of being “you” through the eyes of Bay, a little girl, and Be, her twin brother. They’re charged with a special responsibility of providing guidance for humankind, with the help of their guardian zo*.

Wow, so Kathy’s first book has been “in-the-making” for 28 years. What inspired the both of you to finally put pen to paper?

KW: For me, I suddenly had grandchildren and wanted to share it with them, and secondly, I had a health scare. At that point, I realized it was time to make it happen. Then, came a year plus of hard work editing, finding an illustrator, and figuring how to publish it.

VD: My illustrator was actually my brother (chuckle), which was good and bad. When you have two creative minds come together, you can get into a LOT of back-and-forth with each other, but we at least came out this with a MUCH stronger relationship. As



to what inspired me to write it, it's what I've been singing to my children at the end of each day, the oldest of which is 16 and my youngest is 2. I've always had a desire to give children something that would provide joyful closure for their day, something that was a testament of the contributions and choices made throughout the day, with happy inspiration and loving reassurance that, though this day is done, they would wake up to another new day filled with growth and adventure.

That is pretty remarkable, though not too surprising, how the little ones in your lives inspired your works. Did your characters come easily then, and how did you develop them?

KW: For my first book, the characters were pretty simple, because Maggie was a real tree and the only other characters were my sons and our dogs. "Oscar the Oak" was more complicated because I was starting from scratch and had to develop the story and characters.

VD: The characters "Bay" and "Be" came easily and are based upon the natural qualities that make children special: unconditional love, wonder, innocence, transparency, optimism, spontaneity, thankfulness, honesty, resilience, adaptability, and mirth or amusement without measure.

All three of your books sound so fun and inspiring, even for adults! Where can we find a copy of them?

KW: Thank you! Both of my books can be found on Amazon and BarnesandNoble.com, but for local folks, I will happily hand-deliver and save you about \$4/book. Shoot me an email at kathwallwriter@yahoo.com.

VD: I, like Kathy, can easily get Brisbane residents a copy! Contact me at zobaybe@yahoo.com. We are also currently looking for commercial distributors, so feel free to get in touch with me regarding that, as well!

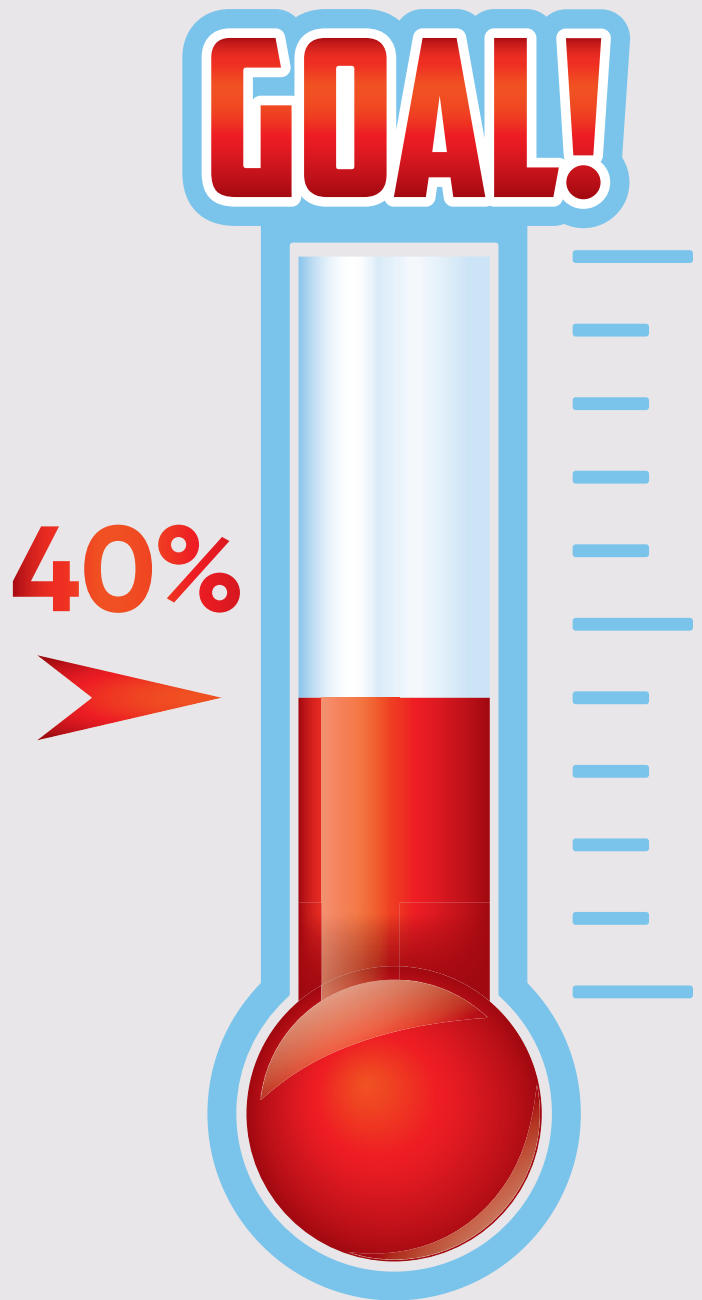
Ok, last but not least, do you have any more books in you?

KW: Actually, I do! My next book is already written and is now at the editing stage. It is tentatively called "Scruffy Doodle Dog" and is about my little rescue dog, Scruffy, and his journey from Mexico to the U.S.

VD: Most definitely.

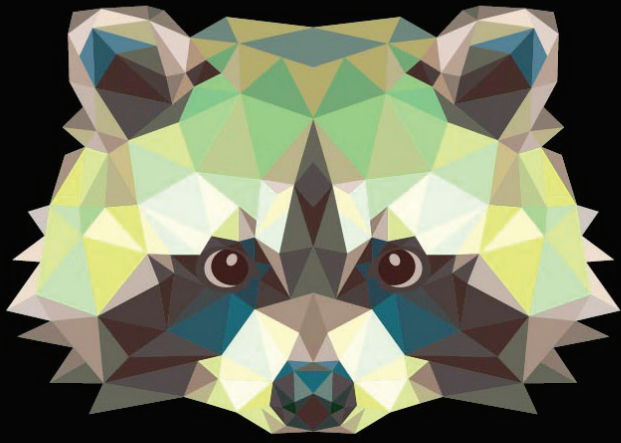
Well, there you have it! We are so fortunate to have residents like Kathy and Van as part of our City of Stars! Catch them at the next Day in the Park, where they likely will be amongst other astoundingly talented and gifted Brisbane Authors.

FOBL Fundraising Update For the New Brisbane Library



The Friends of the Brisbane Library have a goal to raise \$100,000 for the New Brisbane Library, and are 40% of the way there! These donations will help pay for the construction of our new Library and are tax-deductible. Donations will be recognized on a wall in the Library's new courtyard with a tile mural.

Please visit www.fobl.info to donate and put your mark on the new Library today! Hard copy forms are also available at the Brisbane Library.



Costaños Cañon RACCOON UNVEILING

Saturday, February 23 @ 10:00am
Costaños Cañon @ Humboldt Rd. & Placer Way

The Costaños Cañon Raccoon was dedicated to the children of Brisbane in 1988 in memory of Byron Pierson Jensen and her love of San Bruno Mountain. Now that the raccoon has returned to its home in the canyon, we would like to invite all residents, especially children, to join us for a celebratory unveiling. Light refreshments will be provided. Please call 415-508-2140 for additional information.

LUNA FEST

SHORT FILMS | BY, FOR, ABOUT WOMEN
MISSION BLUE CENTER | BRISBANE

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3.23.2019



NORTH COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY PRESENTS

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS CLASS



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2019 | 9:00- 11:00 AM
SERRAMONTE LIBRARY | COMMUNITY ROOM
40 WEMBLEY DRIVE | DALY CITY, CA

LEARN ABOUT:
HOW TO PREP YOUR HOME FOR AN EARTHQUAKE OR DISASTER
HOW TO BUILD A DISASTER KIT FOR YOUR HOME/WORK/VEHICLE
HOW TO USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER & MORE

Learn how to prepare yourself, your family and your home
for the next major earthquake.

CLASS IS FREE, BUT YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND.
VISIT WWW.NORTHCOUNTYFIRE.ORG & LOOK UNDER "UPCOMING EVENTS"

BRISBANE DANCE WORKSHOP PRESENTS

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM



SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019
3:00 pm & 7:30 pm

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019
1:30 pm & 3:30 pm

AT THE MISSION BLUE PERFORMANCE CENTER

General Public Ticket Sales begin May 1, 2019

February Library Calendar

Special Events

Fridays, 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.

Saturday, February 2, 10am - Clay Pendants

Use polymer clay, beads, and a chain to create a gorgeous jewelry piece to wear or give as a gift. For all adults including 55+ and teens age 14 and up. Space is limited, so registration is required.

Saturday, February 2, 2pm - Shakespeare Festival: Comedy of Errors

This rollicking tale of chaos and confusion caused by two sets of twins has been one of Shakespeare's best-loved comedies since its debut in 1594 -- and with good reason! Its verbal wit and slapstick comedy provide a fun-filled performance that's a delight for audiences of all ages.

Monday, February 4, 4pm - Chibi & Monsters Comic Workshop

Learn how to draw cute versions of popular cartoon characters, animals and/or monsters.

Tuesday, February 5, 4pm - Lucky Red Envelope

Celebrate Lunar New Year by making a lucky red envelope and spreading good cheer!

Monday, February 11, 4pm - Chinese Paper Fan Craft

Celebrate the Lunar New Year by creating your own fan! Chinese fans have been popular for over 3,000 years. The circular shape has been modeled after the full moon.

Wednesday, February 13 & 27, 4pm - Geeky Gatherings

Come gather at the library for snacks, games, anime showings, movies, comic book discussions, and other geeky activities.

Friday, February 15, 3:30pm - Movie Showing: Black Panther

Spend the afternoon watching Black Panther (Rated PG-13; 2 hr 15 min). Get a free copy of one of the Black Panther graphic novels. While supplies last.

Movie Summary: T'Challa, heir to the hidden but advanced kingdom of Wakanda, must step forward to lead his people into a new future and must confront a challenger from his country's past.

Saturday, February 16, 10am - Qi Gong Meditation

Visit the Library before we open for some quiet meditation.

Wednesday, February 20, 3pm - Cupcake Paint Party

Join us for a day of fun! We will be celebrating Black History Month and Mardi Gras with fun crafts and snacks! Registration is required.

Saturday, February 23, 10am - Green Clean

Do-It-Yourself Non-Toxic Cleaning Products. Cynthia Knowles of San Mateo County's Environmental Health Services will engage you in fun techniques to clean safely and save money.

Register online. All participants will go home with their own green cleaning kit! While supplies last.

Monday, February 25, 6pm - Film Screening: Evolutionary Blues

Filmmaker Cheryl Fabio will be joining us for this special screening of her documentary Evolutionary Blues . . . West Oakland's Musical Legacy.

Recurring Events for Children and Families

Saturday Family Fun, 11:00am

February 5 - Lego Building. Bring your imagination and we'll supply the Legos. For ages 3+.

February 19 - 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, February 19, 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.

Holidays & Closures

Tuesday, February 18, 2019 - Closed for President's Day

Monday, February 28, 2019 - Closed for Staff Development Day

February City Calendar



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

Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month

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

05, Tuesday, 11am-12:30pm

Office Hours with Councilmember Cunningham
City Hall Large Conference Room
Other Councilmember Office Hours TBD;
please call (415) 508-2109 to inquire

06, Wednesday, 10-11:30am

Fire Extinguisher Training Class @ Serramonte Library
Register at: www.northcountyfire.org

06, Wednesday, 7pm

Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

07, Thursday, 7:30pm

City Council Meeting, B

09, Saturday, 9am-11am

Individual & Family Earthquake Preparedness Class
@ Serramonte Library
Register at: www.northcountyfire.org

09, Saturday, 9:45am Sign-in | 10am Start

Wildflower Planting for Mountain Butterflies!
Owl Canyon Trailhead (1 Quarry Rd, Brisbane)
Info: SB Mtn. Watch (415) 467-6631

13, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, B

14, Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, B

16, Saturday, 5pm-10pm

Parents' Night Out @ Mission Blue Center

18, All Day

City Hall Closed in Observance of President's Day

20, Wednesday, 9am-4pm

CPR, AED & First Aid Classes @ Station 81
Register at: www.northcountyfire.org

20, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, B

21, Thursday, 7:30pm

City Council Meeting, B

23, Saturday, 10am

Raccoon Unveiling @ Costaños Canyon
(Humboldt Rd. & Placer Way)

23, Saturday, 6pm

Lions Club Crab Dinner Fundraiser
Register at: <https://CrabDinner.eventbrite.com>

28, Thursday, 7:30pm

Planning Commission Meeting, Planning Commission Meeting, B



March 3, Sunday, 11am

City Council's Goal-Setting Workshop
(DoubleTree Hotel - 5000 Point Parkway)



CPR, AED & FIRST AID CLASSES

North County Fire Authority offers
CPR, AED & First AID classes to the public.

- When: **Wednesday, February 20, 2019**
- Location: Station 81 - 3445 Bayshore Blvd. Brisbane, CA
- Time: 9:00AM - 4:00PM
- Fee: \$65.00 per person

NOTES Health Provider cards are *not* issued.
Minimum class size of 5 so invite your friends!



to sign up, visit www.northcountyfire.org & look under "upcoming events"



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Tickets Contact
 Dr. Mike Abney 415.269-7895 ☆ Ron Davis 415-846-3077
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DROP OFF LOCATIONS
A future date will be announced for a distribution event.

Brisbane City Hall, 50 Park Place
 M/T/Th 8:00am-5:00pm, W 8:00am-8:00pm, F 8:00am-1:00pm

Sunrise Room, 2 Visitacion Avenue
 Monday-Friday 11:00am-4:00pm





NORTH COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY PRESENTS

Fire Extinguisher Training Class

wednesday, february 6, 2019 | 10 - 11:30 AM
 serramonte library | community room
 40 wembley drive | daly city, ca

learn about:
 how to use a fire extinguisher | safety precautions
 type of extinguisher to buy for your home | servicing reqs & more

class is free, but you must register to attend.
 visit www.northcountyfire.org & look under "upcoming events"