

Newsletter

From the BNA President

I like to begin by thanking the many individuals who work to provide their services and talents to keep our BNA functioning and our neighborhood vibrant . What services you ask, they are many: coordinating our National Night Out, maintaining and managing our financial records, distributing our newsletters, recording our Board Minutes and keeping us informed, decorating our neighborhood entrances, coordination of the yard of the months, sending condolences to deceased neighborhood family members, welcoming new residents to our community, coordinating Yard Sales, managing our website, coordinating the Clean Sweep Event, maintaining our neighborhood entrances, developing our quarterly newsletter and many other deeds. These individuals provide these services with no gratuity from us and we owe them our gratitude for their dedication. If you wish to assist in any of these services or perform other services not listed, we invite you to contact one of our Board Members.

As the weather changes from the Summer months to Autumn months, we can observe the many changes in our neighborhood. The beautiful foliage of summer turns into golden colors of Autumn, for all of us to admire and appreciate. Eventually, this beauty will transform into fallen leaves that we must quickly collect and dispose of, if we are to maintain this beauty during the changing Winter months in the Briarwood Community. We encourage everyone to rake fallen leaves often, and bag them for collection by the County Refuge Department. When leaves are bagged, they are most likely to be collected by County Refuge Department on their first scheduled trip to your residence.

Additionally, when leaves are piled along side of the streets in our neighborhood, they are sometimes scattered throughout, thus, causing you or your neighbor to have to rake them again. Leaves piled along our streets can also enter our drainage system, causing it to become clogged and create standing water. We encourage everyone to be diligent in maintaining your yards, edge your curbs, clean your street curbs of leaves; live grass; and debris. And now, go enjoy the benefits provided by nature in the Briarwood Neighborhood.

Wayman Stover, BNA President

Briarwood Neighborhood Association Quarterly Meeting

The next meeting of the Briarwood Neighborhood Association will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm at Windsor United Methodist Church. Guest speakers will be Dr. Scott Floyd, Principal of E. L. Wright Middle School and a Representative from Project Hope of Richland County Sheriff Department. Dr. Floyd will give us an update on the completion of the school, school activities and curricula available to students and how we as a community can support the school and its programs. The Representative from the Richland County Sheriff Department will share information on how this Program can assist the elderly in our Community and how we can support the Project. We invite everyone in our neighborhood to attend. You do not have to be a BNA member to attend.



Clean Sweep, a Big Success!



Our Annual Neighborhood Sweep was the week of September 23rd and was it a successful one! Officer Drakeford with the Richland County Public Works Special Services reported that the tonnage removed was 34.4 as compared to 23.7 tonnage in 2023. I don't know if we cleaned out better this year or more people participated. Whichever, we are grateful to those of you who participated. There were 20 workers this year, so it made for a quicker clean up. Your

President, Wayman Stover, and I fed the workers on the picnic tables out back of Windsor United Methodist Church. If you see some of the church members, please thank them for use of that space.

Many of you have expressed your appreciation for this service that is provided by your Briarwood Neighborhood Association by way of Richland County taxes. I think you will agree the neighborhood feels lighter after a Clean Sweep. Thank you again for participation.

Marilyn Summers, Chair

Community Wide



**BNA Yard Sale Saturday,
November 9th 8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

Our BNA Neighborhood Fall Yard Sale is coming. It's time to clean out the garage, attic, closets and storage shed. If you don't use it or want it anymore, somebody else does. Who knows what treasures lurk in dark

corners of our homes?

BNA is sponsoring a community - wide yard sale on Nov. 9th. Participating residents will conduct their sale at their own homes. BNA will advertise in the newspaper, Craigslist, Website and other sites and signs will be posted on Two Notch Road and Alpine Road to guide people to our community.

Please contact Sandy Woods at 337-789-8192 with any questions.

Briarwood Yards of the Month!

Yard of the Month is awarded to active Briarwood Neighborhood Association members who exemplify a standard for yard beautification. All residents benefit from their dedication to yard maintenance, so a huge "Thank You" to these households!



May Yard of the Month
Rosa Hopkins
9743 Windsor Lake Blvd.



July Yard of the Month
Shay and April Patton
2929 Aintree Dr.



August Yard of the Month
Valarie Schulz
9701 Dunbarton Dr.



September Yard of the Month
David and Jenny Jones
3052 Appleby Lane

The Holiday Yard Decoration Competition is coming Soon!

The Briarwood Neighborhood Association Holiday Yard Competition begins after the Thanksgiving Holidays. So, get out those lights, Santa sleds, deer arrangements, angels, trumpets and other Holiday decorations and plan now how you will arrange your front yard presentation. A \$75 prize will be awarded to the winning entry. Keep in mind, you must be a BNA Member to win the prize. Not a member, it's not too late. See the form in this Bulletin or go to Briarwood-Columbia.com on how to join for 2024.



One Hundred and Twenty Attend National Night Out Celebration

This Year's Annual National Night Out Celebration held on September 23rd was a huge success, with approximately 120 guests in attendance. Neighborhood guests and law enforcement officers enjoyed a delicious meal and had an opportunity to fellowship and to get to know neighbors in our community. Each year the BNA presents a security vest to a Richland County Deputy as a token of appreciation for the services by Richland County Sheriff Department. This year's recipient was Deputy Sterling Morrow. Additionally, the BNA donated \$100 to the Richland County K-9 Association. During the celebration, Sheriff Leon Lott gave remarks of appreciation to BNA and had more than a dozens law enforcement officers and a K-9 animal join him at this event.

Briarwood Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

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Yard of the Month

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County Emphasizes Rules for Storm Debris Disposal

As Many Richland County residents continue to deal with storm debris left in the path of of Hurricane Helene, the County's Public Works Department has begun helping curbside collection contractors remove tree limbs and other materials.

Curbside collection will continue under established guidelines, which include:

Organic material only

No dirt, sand, mulch or rock

No tree limbs longer than 4 feet and no larger than 4 inches in diameter

Quantities of waste no more than the equivalent of two 96-gallon roll carts or six yard waste bags each week

To report debris, please email or call the County Ombudsman's Office at 803-929-6000 with your location and the materials needing collection. Learn more at the County' website.



Name(s): _____

StreetAddress: _____

PhoneNumber(s): _____

EmailAddress: _____

Check Cash Own Rent Renewal

We encourage you to support BNA by joining if you are not a current member or renewing. Annual Dues are \$30 per calendar year. Please make checks payable to Briarwood Neighborhood Association and mail to PO Box 25275, Columbia, SC 29224 or pay online www.BriarwoodColumbia.com

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