

# Newsletter

## Message From Your New BNA President, Wayman Stover

I would like to begin by thanking those of you who sponsored a garage sale on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Having a yard sale in the community enhances the camaraderie among neighbors and those who came into our neighborhood seeking to buy items. I had the opportunity to visit and meet several of you during this event and I am grateful to you for your hospitality. I hope that more residents will consider having a yard sale when this event is held next year.

I encourage everyone to get to know your neighbors and share with each other your knowledge of governance of county ordinances. Also, before you build any structure such as a building or gate on your property, check with the County Code Enforcement to ensure that you are following the building codes. When we all abide by these ordinances, it makes our neighborhood more conducive to living here. If you are not familiar with relevant ordinances, you may contact the Richland County Ombudsman Office at 1-803-929-6000. A county employee will be able to answer your questions or refer you to the correct sources.

Again, I thank you and I look forward seeing you at our Quarterly Meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Wayman Stover,  
President, BNA

## BNA May 9th Quarterly Meeting Guest Speakers



### **Fly Your Flags in Honor of Memorial Day**

***Memorial Day is Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. This is a federal holiday for which we honor members of the military who have passed away while serving in the United States Armed Forces. On this day, we pay tribute to those who gave their lives while protecting and serving our Nation. There are many activities that one may choose to participate in during this year's observance. However, there is one meaningful way everyone can observe. We encourage everyone in our neighborhood to properly fly an American Flag on Memorial Day to honor those who dedicated their lives for our safety.***

The next meeting of the Briarwood Neighborhood Association will be Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. We will have two guest speakers for this meeting: Mr. Michael Maloney, Director of Public Works for Richland County and Mr. Russell Brewton, Captain of Patrol Region 2 with the Richland County Sheriff Department.

Mr. Maloney will give us updates on Richland County Penney Projects near our neighborhood: 1) Sidewalk construction along Alpine Road 2) Greenway construction from Windsor Lake Blvd. to Polo Road 3) Re-paving of Alpine Road. Mr. Brewton will provide information regarding the susceptibility of Fraud toward Citizens in our Neighborhood and tips on how we can avoid it. In addition, our C. A. T. Officer, Deputy Denneys Colon will be present to give us updates on happenings in the community as well. We invite all Briarwood residents to be present. You do not have to be a member to attend.



## Nichole Perkins Resigns from the BNA Board

Nichole Perkins who has been a member of BNA Board for the last 5 years is resigning effective May 1, 2024. Nichole revealed to the Board that she will be stepping down due to her work schedule. Nichole will be sorely missed by the BNA Board and members of the Briarwood Neighborhood Association. As a Board member, Nichole served as BNA Treasurer, Newsletter Content Organizer and Website Manager. While serving in these positions, Nichole maintained the BNA financial records and membership information, formatted the newsletter for publication and managed the website. The BNA Board extends its thanks and appreciation to Nichole for services well done for our community and best wishes for her future endeavors.

## National Night Out (NNO) 2024

***NNO is coming August 6, 2024 and we encourage everyone to use this as a reminder to note it on your calendar. NNO enhances the relationship between neighbors and government agencies who protect and serve us. It provides an opportunity to bring law enforcement agencies, first responders and fire department personnel and community members together under positive circumstances. We encourage Briarwood residents to plan to participate in this year's event. If you wish to volunteer contact Jim O'Brien at 803-479-5769.***



***The Briarwood Neighborhood Association is a non-profit organization administered by volunteers from the community. From time to time, we have vacancies on our Board as well as various committee assignments. Currently, we have need for a newsletter content organizer. Additionally, we are in need of residents to serve on the Beautification Committee to help maintain our entrances to the neighborhood. If you believe you have the talent, time, and resources to devote to making our community a viable place to live, we invite you to volunteer your services. Please contact the BNA President or any of the Board Members listed in the newsletter, and we will promptly respond to your inquiry.***

### **Do You Need a Notary Public?**

Do you need the services of a notary public to witness and sign important documents verifying your signature on these documents and transactions. One of our neighbors, Ms. Christian Flynn-Hill has agreed to provide the services free of charge to members of the Briarwood Neighborhood Association. Ms. Flynn-Hill can be reached at (803) 814-8700.

## Briarwood Yards of the Month!

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



**January Yard of the Month**  
*Nick and Winifred Williams*  
*9520 S.Chelsea Rd*

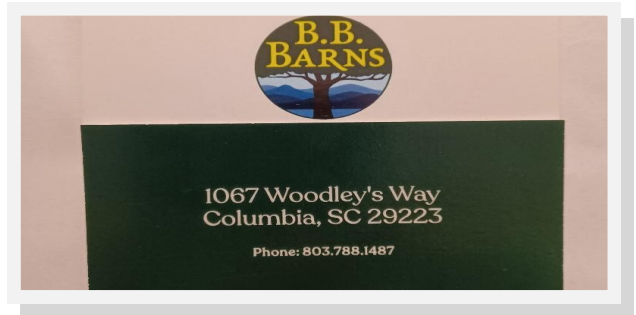


**March Yard of the Month**  
*Tommy and Sandy Woods*  
*3033 Appleby Ln.*



**February Yard of the Month**  
*Gregory and Quimmah Robinson*  
*2916 Hickory Nut Ln.*

Yard of the Month Gift Certificates Donated By



## The Adventures of QTip and Cottonball

We continue on our daily walks which are coming earlier in the mornings now to accommodate the rising temperatures. The word of the month is POLLEN. It's hard to talk and walk at the same time with all the pollen flowing down our throats but somehow, we manage anyway. I hope you allowed time to visit with the neighbors participating in the Briarwood Yard Sale. QTip and Cottontail set sail @ 7:45 AM and attempted to attend as many as we could with the meager 4 hours allowed. We gladly increased our fan base meeting a new neighbor, mother of Esther while picking up plants from Mary Stover. She recognized us perhaps by our increasing and constant presence on many streets. Our dance cards are not yet full.

Will you join us for a walk? You may contact Debbo Lacklore at 803-553-7644.

# Briarwood Board of Directors & Committee Chairs



**President** » Wayman Stover › 788-1281

**Condolence Committee** » Valerie Schulz › 315-3316

**Vice President** » OPEN

**National Night Out** » Jim O'Brien 803-479-5769

**Recording Secretary** » Sue Lippincott › 788-7464

**Decorations Committee** » Susan Caskey › 463-6138

**Corresponding Secretary** » Valerie Schulz › 315-3316

» Debbo Lacklore › 553-7644

**Treasurer** » Nichole Perkins › 402-800-0579

**Website** » Clifton Ross

**Yard of the Month**

**Clean Sweep** » Marilyn Summers › 788-1528

» Mary Stover › 788-1281 » Constance Morgan ›

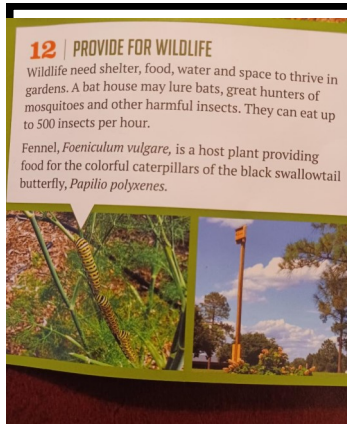
**Block Captains** » Frank Norville › 736-1993

**Yard Sale** » Sandy Woods › 337-789-8192

**Welcome Committee** » Linda Stearns › 736-4589



## 12 Step to Obtain Status as a Carolina Yard



Would you like to have a beautiful yard by following scientific methods while protecting the environment and water ways? Carolina Yards is a program sponsored by Clemson University that allows you to accomplish this feat. Carolina Yards is designed to help gardeners conserve water, make positive changes to the environment, your yard, neighborhood and surrounding water ways. Through sustainable landscaping practices, you can create an aesthetically pleasing landscape that works with the local environment. Also, the activities you practice in your yard can positively impact natural resources as well as allow you to gain the status of a certified Carolina Yard.

In order to receive a Certified Yard, your yard will be evaluated based on 12 principles of the Carolina Yard Program. When you meet the requirements, you can obtain a certified Carolina Yard status, receive a certificate and have the option to purchase recognition items from the Carolina Store to display in your yard highlighting your status. Further information may be obtained by visiting a demonstration of a Carolina Yard maintained by the Richland County Master Gardeners Association located at the Clemson Station on Clemson Road. For information on the 12 steps to become certified, visit [www.clemson.edu/cy](http://www.clemson.edu/cy).



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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](http://www.BriarwoodColumbia.com)

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