



# Briarwood Newsletter

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**Don't forget your  
valentine!!**



Keeping you informed

February 2023

Issue I

## President's Report Robert Weiss



My name is Robert Weiss

I am happy to be your BCA president for the next two years and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible. Here are a few updates for you:

**AT&T-** I have been told that they have been around to do a final check on the work performed. So if anyone has any issues, please contact Jason Eckstein at AT@T phone # (803) 873-6225.

**Drury Lane** opening-- a hold has been placed on the petition at this this point as the builder has decided to go in a different direction. We will keep everyone posted if it should come up again.

Let's all continue to work together to keep our little community an awesome place to live.

## Vice President Clay Rogers



**TREE REMOVAL** When inquiring about trees for removal please always follow our standard protocol. First fill out the ARC form and submit it to Dorchester Real Estate. **REGARDLESS OF THE SIZE OF THE TREE THIS FORM HAS TO BE FILLED OUT AND SUBMITTED; THIS IS MANDATORY.** Then once that has been done please go online and fill out a permit request through the Dorchester County Website for all tree removals. We as a neighborhood ask you to please think twice before cutting any trees down, because once it's cut down it's gone. A good percentage of our trees in Briarwood have been here for years, and have survived multiple hurricanes including HUGO. Briarwood is one of the few neighborhoods left with grand mature trees. Neighborhoods like ours are becoming extinct, as they now clear cut before homes are even built. Once a tree is cut down it is gone forever. If you do remove a tree we ask that you practice mitigation and plant some new plants, trees or some sort of vegetation. It's a nice way of giving back to the neighborhood as well as the Earth.

**TREE PRUNING** When pruning trees, no permit is necessary as long as you or whoever you've hired is only taking off the recommended arborist national percentage that is appropriate for the trees overall health. Pruning can be a wonderful thing for the trees as well as your yard.

It's a simple process. If you should have any questions feel free to reach out to anyone on the board. We are here to help and look forward to helping out all our neighbors in any way possible. Keeping Briarwood safe, healthy and beautiful can happen with the help of everyone.

**DORCHESTER COUNTY** All trees greater than 12" DBH require permit with exception to pines. Pines 24"DBH and greater reach a protected class as well.

## Briarwood Civic Association Meeting Minutes

November 22, 2022



Robert Weiss, president, called meeting to order and proceeded to introduce and welcome Mr. David Chinnis, our district county councilman, to enlighten as best he could of the work being done in our subdivision by AT&T to lay cable for fiber optics coming available in the future. He elaborated that our front yards will not be disturbed and that all digging will be minimal and only on the county right of way between sidewalk and street. No, those connector boxes which were used in the past in other subdivisions will not be used and many were concerned about maybe we would have to endure, especially since all utility lines are supposed to be put down our back easement, as dictated by Briarwood developer. With fiber optics available we will have better reception for all our electronic needs. He suggested that if you have further concerns to call AT&T. He will be happy to take your calls and answer any questions you may have concerning this matter. Other questions concerned the work being done on the Berlin G. Myers Parkway, the medians installed in Oakbrook and other projects in our area. Progress is knocking at our doors and it's showing with all the new residents coming in. Thank you Mr. Chinnis for giving of your time to visit this meeting and hopefully eased a few minds about what is transpiring at our front doors. Robert Weiss was the lone officer in attendance, but Clay Rogers, nominee for vice-president and Cleo McKenzie, nominee for Secretary and Newsletter also were in attendance and are declared in the December meeting voting. Maryann Weiss, Beautification, was in attendance as well. Mr. Weiss announced Dori Lovill had tendered her resignation as Treasurer due to personal decisions, work overload, etc. Mr. Weiss made the decision to attain a treasurer and contracted with Dorchester Real Estate to assume full duties as our Property Manager so that the business of Briarwood can continue. A boatload of work is facing us and we ask for your patience, cooperation and help in keeping our Briarwood the home we love and are proud of. The Briarwood Newsletter is being renewed and will be delivered to your door as was done in previous years and will be posted on the Briarwood web page. Everyone is not on Facebook or wants to be.


Respectfully submitted by Cleo McKenzie, Secretary BCA


**Most Do...Some Don't...Most Will...Some Won't**

**Please** put away your **Trashcans** after pickup has occurred. Yes, we need the cans but not stored in the front of our homes. Briarwood says **THANKS**.



For your convenience, all forms ( ARC, Voting, Covenants, Restrictions & Bylaws) as well as newsletters and contact information are posted on the BCA Web.



**House Numbers**— All residences within the Briarwood Subdivision shall display a number on the premises. The street address numerals shall be conspicuously placed immediately above, on, or at the side of the primary entrance of each building so that the number can be seen plainly from the street line. Residential numbers shall not be less than 3" in height. These numbers shall be in contrasting color from the building.

b. **Curb markings**. Residents may, in addition, if they desire, display the address number on the curb in front of the premises. The a location of a curb number does not alter the requirement that a number must be affixed on the building as outlined above.

c. **Dorchester County Ordinance**. Property owners shall comply with Dorchester County Ordinance pertaining to house numbers.



Thanks to everyone who paid their dues for 2023. Unfortunately there are some homeowners who have refused or even acknowledged their fines & violations. Having been very lax in the past, that is about to change. As of March 1st, fines will be handed over to the Quattlebaum Law Firm. Not only will you be responsible for your fine, you will also be responsible for their legal fees as well. Anyone that who would like to make payment arrangements with Dorchester Real Estate please contact them by February 15th.

We would like to welcome our new neighbors at 106 Harlesden. Let's all say hi to Mr. & Mrs. Albronda.



Please make sure you fill out your ARC forms when making any changes to your property. If you need a form it can be found on our website @ [briarwoodsc.org](http://briarwoodsc.org). After filling out your form send it over to Dorchester Real Estate for approval.

We all moved into this community knowing there were Covenants & Restrictions that had to be followed. We all need to do our part so we can continue to be proud of the community we live in.

A belated shout out and deserved congratulations to Briarwood Holiday winners for December Yard of Month, John and Erika Groover at 200 Summercourt Drive and William and Linda Bagwell at 219 Chessington Circle for Best Decorated for 2022.



All who participated were certainly in the running as Briarwood looked very festive.

Santa and the Grinch enjoyed seeing all of you. He had 44 children when he dropped off gifts. It was a magical night. Hope you all enjoyed your gift cards and we look forward to seeing all of you next year.

