

# Briarwood Home Page

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## Keeping Value in Your Home

Briarwood Homeowners Association strives to help all homeowners in Briarwood keep the value in their homes by maintaining a connection with each other for purposes like property maintenance, safety, and resale value.

Thank you to members who pay their dues and keep this connection open! If you have any questions about property guidelines or the Homeowner's Association please feel free to contact Vernon Tabor or consult the Briarwood Covenant online at:

<http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Briarwood/home>

## A Word from the President...



Congratulations to Vincent Tabor, Grandson of Vernon and Marti Tabor! Vincent received his Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree from the Memphis College of Art May 12, 2012 and is now enrolled in the graduate program. Vincent is a graduate of Bartlett High School.

**"Don't buy the house, buy the neighborhood."**

-Russian Proverb

Dear Neighbors,

How are things in Briarwood? Well, I'm happy to report things are going quite well. Of course, they could always be better, but right now, not by much. Our HOA membership is down a little from last year, but still higher than in years past. The last time I checked there were only two homes for sale and I can recall times when it seemed like there was a house for sale on just about every street. Neighborhood yards are looking really nice for this early in the year and I expect the Beautification committee will have another tough year selecting the yard of the month. One thing that is exceptionally pleasing is the number of young children in the neighborhood. I think anyone who's lived in Briarwood since its beginning will agree that we have more little ones and young families now than we've had in a long time. There are also probably more pet dogs in Briarwood than ever before. But I've yet to see one go by my house that was not on a leash...and thank you owners for carrying a little plastic bag, just in case.

Exciting things are happening around us as well. Our next-door neighbor, New Hope Christian Church, is undergoing a big expansion. Before New Hope was built, that land was supposed to be Briarwood Phase II. I think you will agree that their beautiful facilities are much nicer to look at than another 100 or so rooftops. Plus, we would have lost our one-in/out entrance if the church had not purchased the property.

Also, the Robinwood Retirement Community at Kirby-Whitten and Summer is fast becoming a reality, as is the new CVS pharmacy at the corner of Kirby-Whitten and Stage. The one business that I am really excited about is the construction taking place in the old Blockbuster space. My favorite hamburger restaurant, Five Guys, Burgers and Fries, is open! They cook all their french fries in peanut oil, which is a much healthier alternative than what most fast food restaurants use. If you go, I suggest you start with a small bag of fries because they are very generous with their portioning.

Thank you all for being good neighbors. It makes my job as BHOA president a really fun and easy one! Now, if I could just do something about those pesky moles that like to visit my yard each year...

See you 'round the neighborhood,

Vernon Tabor

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*Celebrate!*



## May 2012 Yard of the Month

Amy Webb of the Sears Federal Credit Union presents Paul and Ginger Holt \$25 Gift

Congratulations to Paul and Ginger Holt at 6838 Briarfield Lane for winning the May 2012 Yard of the Month Award! Paul and Ginger have a beautiful lush lawn and well kept flowers and trees.

Thanks to Amy Webb of the Sears Federal Credit Union for presenting a \$25 award to our Yard of the Month Recipient. Please visit the Credit Union and check into their low rates and great value. While you are there please thank Amy for the generosity shown toward the Briarwood Subdivision.



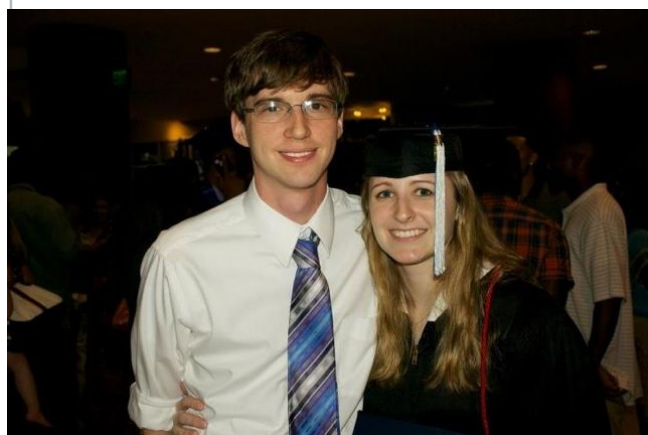


# Congratulations Graduates!

*Two Nursing Students graduate Magna Cum Laude on May 5th from Briarwood!*



**Alexis Nicole Foster** came to live with her grandparents, Dossett and Linda Foster, in January 2010 to attend the University of Memphis Loewenberg School of Nursing. Alexis received the Outstanding Medical-Surgery 1 and Medical-Surgery 2 Nursing Student Award in April 2011 and 2012, respectively. On December 1, 2011 she was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing May 5<sup>th</sup> graduating Magna Cum Laude. Alexis has returned to Murfreesboro where she has applied for a job at St. Thomas Hospital. She is engaged to be married to her fiancé, Charlie Swanson, on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Her grandparents are already missing her. Congratulations, Alexis!



**Susanne Lucinda Gish**, daughter of David and Carolyn Gish, 6829 Briarfield Lane, graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Memphis Loewenberg School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science Degree on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Susanne already has a job and will start working in an ICU Step Down Unit on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Susanne plans on being an ICU nurse for a few years and then furthering her education. Susanne is pictured here with her fiancé, **Alec Underhill**. They plan on getting married September 8<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations, Susanne!

# Get To Know Your Neighbors...



**Meet ... Sharon Jayne!** Sharon and her husband, Charles Jayne, live at 3220 Briarfield Cove. They have three sons and one grandson, Matthew, who is 13 years old. Sharing life experiences with her grandson is a must on her “bucket” list! Sharon loves to cook, travel and talk (and not necessarily in that order!) She is a delightful lady with a lot of experiences who enjoys meeting people. Sharon has officially accepted the position of secretary for our Briarwood Association. We are pleased to have her help.

Sharon came to Memphis from Cuba when she was 9 years old. Her father retired from the Navy here and she graduated from Frayser High School in 1965. Coincidentally she was at Frayser when Mr. Dossett Foster (member of our association) was a teacher! She started college at Memphis State (now University of Memphis). Sharon eventually graduated from Memphis State in 1977 while having several life events (such as marriage) along the way!

Several different teaching and administrative positions have been fortunate enough to have Sharon occupy them. She has taught Home Economics at Immaculate Conception High School, worked at the VA Medical Center, and taught in Memphis City Schools. She has been a Home Economics teacher, Educational Therapist, Adult Basic Education Teacher and a Secretary. She officially retired in 2004.

Sharon now works part-time *for fun* as a receptionist for the Weight Watchers office in the same strip mall as the Bartlett Malco Theater. It costs \$30 to join Weight Watchers and \$12 per week or you can buy a monthly pass for \$42.95 and enjoy the free online materials. You can also buy a 14-week punch card for \$149 and no registration fee. Come join Sharon on Thursday mornings, lose weight and have fun!

## Redbirds Game!

**Do you enjoy baseball? Do you like the Redbirds? Do you like Fireworks? YEAH!** You can enjoy the redbirds with friends, family and other fans on June 16<sup>th</sup>! Please contact Carolyn Gish at 377-5369 or email [cgish@earthlink.net](mailto:cgish@earthlink.net) for your reservation. We must get 20 tickets sold to get a group discount so do not delay. Contact Carolyn ASAP with your ticket needs.

January 20, 2012

**BRIARWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT**

BEGINNING BALANCE 1/1/12.....\$ 3640.02

January 2012 MLGW Estimated Bill..... (600.00)

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Cash Balance----- \$ 3040.02

## Estimated Expenditures for 12 Months

Reliable Lawn Services-----\$ 2400.00

City of Bartlett Water----- 120.00

Total Estimated Expenditures----- (\$ 2520.00)

Total Estimated Balance ----- \$ 520.02

Note: Other items that need attention:

Some shrubs need to be replaced

Sprinkler system needs some repairs

Flowers for spring

Submitted by Gloria Owens, Treasurer