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BRIARWOOD ACTION NETWORK CELEBRATES PARK DAY

Briarwood, N.Y. October 28, 2013 - As the name of this civic group implies, Briarwood Action Network (BAN), was certainly active on October 19, 2013 as group members and the community gathered in Hoover Park. Adults and children worked side by side as they raked leaves and planted over 1500 daffodil bulbs.

BAN hosts It's My Park Day, a semi-annual event, in cooperation with Partnership for Parks. Representatives from Partnership for Parks as well as New York City Parks Commissioner, Veronica White, were in attendance to observe and support the community's efforts.

"It's great to see the entire neighborhood working together for the betterment of the community and for such an important project," Raida Hossain, a new BAN member, commented. A recent arrival in Briarwood, Albania Sarita-Rizzo, said, "Thank you BAN for all you do for our Community."

Children too young to wield a rake or shovel assembled to hear Halloween and autumn stories. In addition, an arts and crafts table was available for those children with an artistic bent. The children proudly displayed their colorful work to everyone in the park.

Workers enjoyed refreshments donated by local businesses, Alba Pizzeria, Flagship Restaurant and Pani Dolci Bakery. All were entertained by the sounds of the Dave White Jazz Ensemble.

By the end of the afternoon, a mountain of heavy duty bags were stuffed with fallen leaves, twigs, and debris.

BAN member Irena Murrell, summed up the day's successful event stating, "We truly appreciate our neighbors who came to help clean the park and hope that even more will turn out for next spring's event."

[Click here](#) to see photos of the event on the Briarwood Action Network facebook page.

The Briarwood Action Network (BAN) is a neighborhood civic group dedicated to improving the quality of life in Briarwood, Queens.

For additional information, or to schedule an interview with Larry Sherman, Director of Communications of the Briarwood Action Network, e-mail Larry Sherman at lsherman.ban@gmail.com.

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