



The goal of the Yard of the Quarter Award is to recognize the efforts of Bel Air neighborhood residents who take pride in their home and landscape and inspire others to do the same.

**AWARD RULES:**

1. Yard of the Quarter will be awarded for the quarters of July – September, October – December, January – March and April – June.
2. Each yard is limited to winning the award only once in any calendar year. .
3. Only the portion of the yard viewed from the street, will be judged.
4. A Yard of the Quarter sign will be placed in the winning yard and is to remain for the first two weeks after the award is given.
5. In the event they are selected, a homeowner may elect to refrain from participation.
6. Members of the Preservation Committee and Bel Air Board are ineligible to receive the award

**PRIZE:**

All award winners will receive an official “**Bel Air Yard of the Quarter**” lawn sign, to be placed on their property for the first two weeks after awarded. In addition, the award recipient will receive one Bel Air style lawn chair.

**NOMINATIONS:**

1. Bel Air residents can nominate a Bel Air property during the quarterly general meeting or by submitting the name and address of the nominated party to a Preservation committee member.
2. The preservation committee members can also nominate a property in the neighborhood.

## **JUDGING CRITERIA:**

1. General upkeep of the yard
2. Unique landscaping or originality/creativity
3. Pleasant and overall appearance which makes the property an asset to the neighborhood.
4. Property can be maintained by the homeowner or a professional landscape company
5. Buildings, fences, porches, and patios on the property are required to be in good repair, i.e. minimal distraction from the landscape due to deterioration, damage or construction.
6. Extra consideration may given to properties that have invested extra effort through the use of attractive art pieces (eg. pottery, ironwork), potted plants, patio or lawn furniture, windsocks, etc.
7. All selected properties must be free of litter, junk and debris.
8. All selected properties must have no appliances or indoor furniture on porches or patios.
9. All selected properties must be free of junked or inoperable vehicles.
10. All selected properties must have no parking on the lawn.