



STABLE VIEW SPOTLIGHT: WALLACE WATKINS



Wallace Watkins is a familiar face at Stable View. He walks the property and trails almost daily and is often referred to as the OG Trailblazer. He has been coming to the property long before it was ever even Stable View. In fact, he grew up just down the street and practically learned how to walk on the trails.

Besides being an avid walker, Wallace attends all of the Clemson baseball and basketball home games. He has played piano at his church where he has been an active member for fifty years. He

worked at the post office for thirty-two years. The first nine years of the job he got to incorporate his love of walking into the job.

Wallace isn't an official staff member of Stable View, but he is appreciated by the staff. He helps maintain the standard of the trails by picking up limbs and has been re-establishing overgrown trails as well as assisting the grounds crew with other jobs where an extra hand is needed. When asked what his favorite part about Stable View is he said, "I can walk out my back door and take a walk for my health and pleasure without having to get in a vehicle. I like interacting with the employees." Cyndy Olliff often refers to him as the Mayor of Stable View.

He hated history class in school but now he loves it. He said Stable View is special. There used to be almost 10,000 acres that were undeveloped in this area. For Stable View to have over 800 mostly undeveloped acres still is really special, not only to him but also for the area.

Wallace has also become a part of the group who meets to discuss plans for the new Trails Club. He shared, "I'm excited about the new trails club. The landscape is special and there is a beautiful hidden nature escape that the runners can enjoy." Wallace has used the property to train for races in Augusta and Columbia for over twenty years. Wallace will sure to be a familiar face for those who join the Aiken Trails Club at Stable View.